

Descendants of Levi Carter

Generation No. 1

1. LEVI¹ CARTER^{1,2} was born Abt. 1736 in Wales³, and died April 22, 1811 in Albany, Greene County, Tennessee⁴. He married SUSANNA⁵ in probably Virginia. She was born Abt. 1740 in Arnettsville, Monongalia County, Virginia⁵, and died 1819 in Albany, Greene County, Tennessee⁵.

Notes for LEVI CARTER:

In the gedcom files I downloaded from the Internet, the marriage dates for Levi and Susanna ranged from 1753 and 1754 to 1769. I have been unable to verify any of those dates. Because of the long period of time between the births of John Carter in 1760, and Jesse Carter in 1774, it is possible that Susanna was Levi's second wife. Also, the birth places of Levi and his family members, and Caleb and his family was gotten through sources on the Internet and may or may not be correct. I simply pass it on without guaranteeing its accuracy.

from: "Family History of Levi Carter," by E. V. Carter Schnegelberger, typed and rearranged by Charles Barnum, sent to Kathy Beaudry in January of 2004, used with permission:

"Levi Carter, John Sr., Joseph, Caleb Sr., Nathan, Ephraim, and David were traced from New Jersey to Green County, Tennessee and were probably brothers. In 1772 Caleb Carter claimed 400 acres of land in Monongalia County, Virginia (now part of W. VA). Two years prior to the (American) Revolution, the served in Lord Dunmore's War. Captain Zackquil Morgan's roll listed seventy-six names, was dated October 4, 1775 and included" Levy Carter, Caleb Carter and Joseph Carter.

All three were credited with serving 162 days apiece, and being paid 12 pounds, 3 shillings each.

"Levi had an active frontier life and withstood the hardships of military service. Between 1775 and 1777 Levi owned land on Indian Creek, at the mouth of Lemasters Run, near Arnettsville. The town then was Point Maron, Virginia where the Monongahela River and Cheat River join. Levi and John each served two months at Pickett's Fort, located on the Monongahela River about twenty miles south of Morgantown, Virginia. They were under the command of Capt. William Haymond and Lt. Morgan.

"In 1777, the Carter brothers moved south through the Shenandoah Valley of the Appalachian Mountains to Surry County, North Carolina. There, Caleb, Jesse, Nathaniel and John Carter were soldiers of North Carolina. In 1780 Caleb, John, Abrahma, Joseph, and Levi paid taxes in Washington and Sullivan Counties of North Carolina. The counties became part of Tennessee by 1783. Hence, they were citizens of Tennessee. John owned land adjoining Levi's on Lick Creek and built a fort called Carter Fort. Today, a historical marker stands at Carter's Station and Cemetery. Here the Cherokee Indians battled the settlers for several years.

"A Revolutionary War voucher was issued to Levi Carter, No. 3538, by the state of North Carolina, dated June 12, 1783. The King's proclamation in 1763 forbid settlement west of the Appalachian Divide. (Levi) Carter lived under the threat of death from the Tories, so the entire Carter clan moved to the Wautaga frontier in the Tennessee Valley. Some of Levi Carter's sons who fought in the War applied for pensions in 1830. They gave New Jersey as their birthplace. Proof of their land claims along the Lick Creek are stored in the North Carolina archives in Raleigh.

"Levi's name appeared frequently in the Green County minutes after 1783, as did the names of James, Joseph, Caleb, Abraham, Elijah and Daniel (Carter). In 1786 a road was to be built and the court ordered that Joseph, Abraham and Levi view and mark the route, and report . . . the results . . . In 1790, a Christian Society was organized, and they built a revival church on the hill at Carter's Station. Today, a United Methodist Church stand nearby and continues the services which began in 1790.

"Levi's will was dated 25 December 1809 . . . (and) read:

"In the name of God amen. Be it remembered that I Levy Carter of the County of Green and the State of Tennessee being sick and weak in body, and knowing that is appointed once to die, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say first, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Susanna some of all my estate both real and personal property during her lifetime or widowhood and it is my will that my sons Joseph and Elijah receive no more than they have already received until the rest of my heirs receive the said sum of sixty dollars in trade. Then after her decease for all my property be equally divided amongst all my heirs and I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife Susanna sole Executrix of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal twenty fifth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nine. Levi

Carter

"Levy died April 22, 1811 (and) Susanna died in 1816 and his children divided 151 acres."

More About LEVI CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Carter Station Cemetery, Albany, Greene County, Tennessee

Notes for SUSANNA:

At the time of Susanna's birth, Monongalia County was part of Virginia, but is now located in West Virginia. To date, I have been unable to document her last name. She is simply referred to as "his wife Susanna" in written documents.

More About SUSANNA:

Burial: Unknown, Carter Station Cemetery, Albany, Greene County, Tennessee

More About LEVI CARTER and SUSANNA:

Marriage: probably Virginia

Children of LEVI CARTER and SUSANNA are:

- i. RACHEL² CARTER⁶, b. 1754, New Jersey^{7,8}; d. Unknown; m. JOHN HARTLEY⁸, November 12, 1799, Greene County, Tennessee; d. Unknown.

More About JOHN HARTLEY and RACHEL CARTER:

Marriage: November 12, 1799, Greene County, Tennessee

2. ii. CALEB CARTER, b. 1756, New Jersey; d. Aft. 1840, Monroe County, Tennessee.
iii. LEVI OR LEVY CARTER⁹, b. 1758, New Jersey¹⁰; d. Unknown.

Notes for LEVI OR LEVY CARTER:

Some records show Levi born in Greene County, Tennessee.

- iv. JOHN CARTER¹¹, b. 1760, Arnettsville, Monongalia County, Virginia¹¹; d. Unknown; m. POLLY TEMPLETON, February 09, 1815, Greene County, Tennessee; d. Unknown.

Notes for JOHN CARTER:

At the time of his birth, Arnettsville may have been in Virginia, but is now located in West Virginia.

More About JOHN CARTER and POLLY TEMPLETON:

Marriage: February 09, 1815, Greene County, Tennessee

3. v. JESSE CARTER, b. 1774, Arnettsville, Monangalia, Virginia; d. 1849, McMinn County, Tennessee.
vi. JOSEPH CARTER¹², b. 1776, Surry, North Carolina; d. Unknown.
vii. SUSANNAH CARTER¹², b. 1780, Washington County, North Carolina; d. Unknown.
viii. ELIJAH CARTER¹², b. April 07, 1786, Greene County, Tennessee; d. November 13, 1858, Gentry County, Missouri; m. UNKNOWN, August 15, 1811, Greene County, Tennessee; d. Unknown.

More About ELIJAH CARTER and UNKNOWN:

Marriage: August 15, 1811, Greene County, Tennessee

- ix. NATHAN CARTER¹², b. 1788, Greene County, Tennessee; d. 1830, Greene County, Tennessee.

Generation No. 2

2. CALEB² CARTER (LEVY¹)¹³ was born 1756 in New Jersey¹⁴, and died Aft. 1840 in Monroe County, Tennessee. He married (1) PHOEBE WILLIAMS March 17, 1798 in Greenville, Greene County, Tennessee. She was born Bef. 1782, and died Bef. 1809. He married (2) RACHEL TEMPLETON¹⁵ May 18, 1809 in probably Greene County, Tennessee¹⁵. She died Unknown.

More About CALEB CARTER and PHOEBE WILLIAMS:

Marriage: March 17, 1798, Greenville, Greene County, Tennessee

More About CALEB CARTER and RACHEL TEMPLETON:
Marriage: May 18, 1809, probably Greene County, Tennessee¹⁵

Children of CALEB CARTER and PHOEBE WILLIAMS are:

- i. NATHANIEL³ CARTER, b. Abt. 1800; d. Unknown.

Notes for NATHANIEL CARTER:

In "History of Texas . . . Central Texas," published in 1896 by The Lewis Publishing Company, Chicago, Nathaniel is credited as being "the author of Carter's Spelling-Book."

- ii. PEGGY CARTER, b. 1805; d. Unknown; m. JOHN FRAZIER¹⁶; d. Unknown.
- 4. iii. DR. JOHN WESLEY CARTER, b. 1797, Greene County, Tennessee; d. Aft. 1864, probably Missouri.

Children of CALEB CARTER and RACHEL TEMPLETON are:

- iv. ALFRED³ CARTER, b. Abt. 1810; d. Unknown.
- v. PLEASANT CARTER, b. Abt. 1811; d. Unknown.
- vi. JASPER CARTER, b. Abt. 1812; d. Unknown.
- vii. BURTON CARTER, b. Abt. 1813; d. Unknown.
- viii. POLLY CARTER, b. Abt. 1814; d. Unknown.
- ix. SOPHIA CARTER, b. Abt. 1815; d. Unknown.

3. JESSE² CARTER (*LEVI*¹)¹⁷ was born 1774 in Arnettesville, Monangalia, Virginia, and died 1849 in McMinn County, Tennessee. He married SUSANNA HARMON¹⁸ January 09, 1798 in Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸. She was born November 19, 1775 in Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸, and died September 04, 1865 in McMinn County, Tennessee¹⁸.

More About JESSE CARTER and SUSANNA HARMON:
Marriage: January 09, 1798, Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸

Children of JESSE CARTER and SUSANNA HARMON are:

- i. HENDERSON C.³ CARTER¹⁸, b. 1800, Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸; d. August 10, 1868, McMinn County, Tennessee¹⁸.
- ii. NANCY MARIAH CARTER¹⁸, b. 1802, Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸; d. November 17, 1875, Washington County, Missouri¹⁸.
- iii. JAMES CARTER¹⁸, b. 1804, Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸; d. 1853, Tennessee¹⁸.
- iv. MARGARET CARTER¹⁸, b. 1810, probably Greene County, Tennessee; d. Bet. 1830 - 1850¹⁸.
- v. JOHN CARTER¹⁸, b. April 13, 1813, Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸; d. January 24, 1868, Jackson Township, Washington County, Missouri¹⁸.
- vi. SUSAN CARTER¹⁸, b. Abt. 1814, Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸; d. Unknown; m. LEVI PRESLEY¹⁸; b. 1807, Tennessee¹⁸; d. Unknown.
- vii. JESSE CARTER, JR.¹⁸, b. Abt. 1817, Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸; d. October 05, 1854, Hopkins County, Kentucky¹⁸.
- 5. viii. PETER T. CARTER, b. 1818, Greene County, Tennessee; d. January 25, 1882, On home farm, north of Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri.
- ix. LEWIS M. CARTER¹⁸, b. 1820, Monroe County, Tennessee¹⁸; d. May 23, 1870, Monroe County, Tennessee; m. ELIZABETH FOSTER¹⁸, June 15, 1841, Monroe County, Tennessee; d. Unknown.

More About LEWIS CARTER and ELIZABETH FOSTER:
Marriage: June 15, 1841, Monroe County, Tennessee

Generation No. 3

4. DR. JOHN WESLEY³ CARTER (*CALEB*², *LEVI*¹) was born 1797 in Greene County, Tennessee, and died Aft. 1864 in probably Missouri. He married SOPHIA HILL August 15, 1820 in Monroe County, Tennessee, daughter of PLEASANT HILL and MRS. HILL. She was born 1802 in North Carolina, and died 1858 in McNairy, Tennessee.

Notes for DR. JOHN WESLEY CARTER:

John Wesley was known by his middle name, and was a physician.

In a biographical sketch of his son, Henry Jones Carter, the following is written about John Wesley Carter:

"He (referring to Henry) was born in Monroe County, east Tennessee . . . but in 1839 was taken by his parents, Wesley and Sophia (Hill) Carter, to McNairy County, in the western part of the state. The father's birth (meaning Wesley's) occurred in Virginia in 1800, and in Green County, Tennessee, he married Miss Hill, who was born in North Carolina, in 1802. They became the parents of eight children: Renie, Phoebe Jane, Henry J., James A., Drusilla, Lucinda, John W. and Margaret. The mother (Wesley's wife Sophia Hill Carter) died in 1858, and during the civil war the father went to Missouri, since which time nothing has been heard of him. His father (meaning Wesley's father), Caleb Carter, was also a native of Old Dominion (a nickname for the state of Virginia) . . ."

note from Kathy Beaudry:

The above "sketch" of Henry Jones Carter says that Wesley Carter was born in 1800 in Virginia, yet in another "sketch," of John W. Carter, Jr., Wesley is said to have been "born in Tennessee in 1797, and was a doctor by profession . . . They were married in Greene County, Tennessee, and the following children were born to them: Jane, Sarah, Phoebe, Henry J., James A., Druscilla, Joseph, Lucinda, John W., and Margaret . . ."

sent to me by Charles Barnum, February of 2004:

"Subject: Dr. John Wesley Carter father of several Hamilton County Texas Carter families.

"The migration of Dr. John Wesley Carter has been determined to a fuller extent based on recent findings. He departed Greene County Tennessee on or before 1820 and moved to Monroe County Tennessee. His father was Caleb Carter.

The 1830 Monroe County Tennessee census listed John Carter as follows on page 111.

John W. Carter

males 1 each-20 to 30 (John W. Carter)

males 2 each-under 5

(James)

(Henry)

females 1 each-20 to 30 (Sophia Hill, wife)

females 2 each-5 to 10

(Phoebe Jane)

(Drusilla)

females 1 each-under 5

(Lucinda)

The 1820 Monroe and Greene County censuses of Tennessee were burned; however, the 1830 census of Monroe enumerated Caleb Carter.

Caleb Carter

male 1 each 60-69 (Caleb Carter)

male 1 each 10-14 (grandchild?)

female 1 each 60-69 (Rachel Templeton)

female 1 each 10-14 (grandchild?)

female 2 each 20-29 (possibly Polly & Sophia married with children)

Dr. (Wesley) Carter travelled along the Tennessee River from Greene County across Alabama until he arrived at Tishomingo County Mississippi about 1839. There his last child, Margaret, was born. He moved to McNairy County Tennessee in 1842. Most of his children married in Tennessee. Renie and Joseph were born and died between 1830 and 1840 and therefore did not appear on any census.

The 1840 Tishomingo County Mississippi census was as follows:

males 1 each-30 to 40 (John W. Carter)

males under 1 each-under 5 (John Jr Carter)

males 2 each--10 to 15

(James Carter)

(Henry Carter)

females 1 each-30 to 40 (Sophia Hill, wife)
females 1 each--under 5 (Margaret)
females 2 each-5 to 10
(Lucinda)
(Sarah)
females 2 each-15 to 20
(Drusilla)
(Phoebe Jane)

1850 McNairy County Tennessee Census
John W. Carter, Physician 51 Tennessee
Sophia 47 Virginia
John (Junior) 14 Tennessee
Margaret 10 Mississippi

Dr. Carter departed Tennessee for Missouri in 1864 and never communicated with his family thereafter. John Wesley Carter Junior, farmer/rancher, married in McNairy County in 1855 to Elizabeth Jane Rushing. In 1870 he lived in Purdy, McNairy Co. Tennessee as shown on the census.

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Carter, John 35 Tennessee
Jane 38 Alabama
James E. 14 Tennessee
John R. 11 Tennessee
Anderson J. 07 Tennessee
Sarah A. 06 Tennessee
Missouri a 04 Tennessee
Jessee O. 08 Tennessee
George W. 01 Tennessee

John Wesley Carter Junior moved to Hamilton TX in 1877 possibly passing through Collins Co TX not Collins Co TN as was reported in a Hamilton County History as there was no Collins County in Tennessee. Additionally, I possess no evidence that he passed through Collins Co. TX.

Several historic articles stated Caleb Carter was killed in the American Revolution. The Am. Rev. was fought between 1775 and 1781. Caleb Carter fathered James W. Crater, Physician, in 1799. Therefore, it was impossible that Caleb died in the Am. Rev. and fathered a child eighteen years later. Caleb died about 1840 as traced through the records. That inaccurate story has been handed down to the present even into the Masonic records-The Texas Mason, Spring 1995. Caleb's father, Levi, also did not die in the Am. Rev. as he died in 1752, i.e. twenty-three years before the war began.

I respectfully request errors in this report be called to my attention.

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More About JOHN CARTER and SOPHIA HILL:
Marriage: August 15, 1820, Monroe County, Tennessee

Children of JOHN CARTER and SOPHIA HILL are:

- i. DRUSILLA⁴ CARTER, b. Abt. 1822; d. Unknown.
- ii. JOSEPH A. CARTER, b. Abt. 1823; d. Unknown.
- iii. PHOEBE JANE CARTER, b. January 20, 1825; d. Unknown.
6. iv. HENRY JONES CARTER, b. September 04, 1826, Monroe County, Tennessee; d. September 06, 1906, Hamilton County, Texas.
7. v. JAMES ATCHLEY CARTER, b. September 17, 1828, Monroe County, Tennessee; d. August 30, 1911, Hamilton County, Texas.
- vi. LUCINDA CARTER, b. 1829; d. Unknown.
- vii. SARAH S. CARTER, b. Abt. 1830; d. Unknown.

8. viii. JOHN WESLEY CARTER, JR., b. January 29, 1835, Monroe County, Tennessee; d. October 30, 1882, Hamilton County, Texas.
- ix. RENIE CARTER, b. Abt. 1837; d. Unknown.
- x. MARGARET CARTER, b. 1840; d. Unknown.
- xi. DRUCILLA CARTER, b. Abt. 1842; d. Unknown.

5. PETER T.³ CARTER (*JESSE*², *LEVI*¹)¹⁸ was born 1818 in Greene County, Tennessee¹⁸, and died January 25, 1882 in On home farm, north of Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri¹⁸. He married JERUSHA DOBBS¹⁸ March 03, 1842 in McMinn County, Tennessee. She was born 1826 in Tennessee, and died Abt. 1859 in Daviess County, Missouri.

Notes for PETER T. CARTER:

All the info on Peter, his spouse Jerusha and their children was sent via e-mail to me by Susan Price.

More About PETER CARTER and JERUSHA DOBBS:

Marriage: March 03, 1842, McMinn County, Tennessee

Children of PETER CARTER and JERUSHA DOBBS are:

- i. JOHN LIDE⁴ CARTER, b. January 12, 1844, Athens, McMinn County, Tennessee; d. October 12, 1929, Sand Springs, Tulsa County, Oklahoma; m. MARGARET A. BELCHER, October 29, 1865, Daviess County, Missouri; b. June 06, 1850, Missouri; d. May 29, 1928, Sand Springs, Tulsa County, Oklahoma.
- More About JOHN CARTER and MARGARET BELCHER:
Marriage: October 29, 1865, Daviess County, Missouri
9. ii. SUSAN ELLEN CARTER, b. 1846, Athens, McMinn County, Tennessee; d. March 30, 1862, Daviess County, Missouri.
 - iii. JAMES CARTER, b. 1848; d. Unknown.
 10. iv. JASPER NEWTON CARTER, b. May 23, 1850, Athens, McMinn County, Tennessee; d. January 23, 1924, Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri.
 - v. JESSE CARTER, b. May 08, 1852; d. Unknown.
 - vi. FRANKLIN PIERCE CARTER, b. May 10, 1853; d. Unknown.
 - vii. JULIANN TENNESSEE CARTER, b. August 31, 1855; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 4

6. HENRY JONES⁴ CARTER (*JOHN WESLEY*³, *CALEB*², *LEVI*¹)^{19,20} was born September 04, 1826 in Monroe County, Tennessee, and died September 06, 1906 in Hamilton County, Texas. He married MARY CAROLINE PRESTON²¹ May 14, 1848 in Tennessee, daughter of JOHN PRESTON and ELIZABETH RUNNELS. She was born June 11, 1830 in Tennessee, and died October 24, 1917 in Perryton, Ochiltree County, Texas^{21,22}.

Notes for HENRY JONES CARTER:

from: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~gazeteer2000/b/bl_ridge/blu_sch.htm

"BLUE RIDGE SCHOOLS

In 1878 a group of Blue Ridge citizens met at the home of Marion Andrew Whittenton to organize a school community. This meeting was attended by Henry Jones Cater, J.F. Bullard, George Knoll, Robert Richey, Thomas Wesley, Russell Ficus, Levi Angel, James Monroe Chambliss, Able Koen, and John Hannah Brown.

Funds were raised to build a school house. It was decided at this meeting to name the new school Blue Ridge and John Hannah Brown offered a lot for the school. John Brown's offer was rejected because it did not have a water source. Henry Jones Carter gave a lot where a well could be dug. Lumber was hauled from Waco in 1878 and the one-room building was erected by volunteers during the summer of 1879.

Levi Angel was employed on 26 September, 1879, as the first teacher when Henry Jones Carter, M.A. Whittington, and J.F. Bullard were trustees. Among the first students to attend this school were Silas Allen, Mrs. Ambler Willis, and Mrs. J.G. Northcutt. At one time the Blue Ridge School had over one hundred pupils with only one teacher. Some older students assisted the teacher by "hearing the lessons" of younger students. Other early teachers included Capt. Alfred Hayne Watson, a Mr. Thomas, R.P. Edgar, Joseph Hardy "Joe" Dixon, T.A. Putnam, H.A. Allen, T. B. Cooper and Miss Lizzie Patterson. Una Toland Brown taught school at Blue Ridge for

two years before she attended college in Denton and before she married Vance Brown.

Later teachers included Martha Kirkland "Mattie" Boyd (who later became Mrs. John Milner), Herman and Sammie Gault Walton, William Jennings Harris, Dessie Baize Griggs, a Miss Patterson, A Mrs. Anderson, Wilma Faye Henderson (who later married Newton Parrish), Leone Riley (who later married Joe Poston), Pearl Moore, Mrs. Geneva Sills Allen, and Len Dalton. Kathryn Baker was principal at Blue Ridge during World War I."

from: "History of Texas . . . Central Texas," Published in 1896 by The Lewis Publishing Company, Chicago. This was sent to me (Kathy Beaudry) by Carolyn Carter Schiewe, in July, 2002, and is a verbatim account of the biographical sketch, with some clarifications in parentheses added by me.

"Henry Jones Carter, a pioneer of Texas, is one of the largest landowners of Hamilton county, where he is actively and prosperously engaged in agricultural pursuits. The flourishing condition of this county, with its splendid farms, many comfortable dwellings, fine churches and substantial school buildings, is a monument to the perseverance and labors of the brave men who, like our subject, patiently endured the trials of a pioneer life that they might develop the wonderful and varied resources of this region, and make for themselves and their children a pleasant home in this fruitful and goodly land.

"He was born in Monroe county, east Tennessee, September 4, 1826, but in 1839 was taken by his parents, Wesley and Sophia (Hill) Carter, to McNairy County, in the western part of the state. The father's birth occurred in Virginia in 1800, and in Greene County, Tennessee, he married Miss Hill, who was born in North Carolina, in 1802. They became the parents of eight children: Renie, Phoebe Jane, Henry J., James A., Drusilla, Lucinda, John W. and Margaret. The mother died in 1858, and during the civil war the father went to Missouri, since which time nothing has been heard of him. His father (meaning Wesley Carter's father), Caleb Carter, was also a native of the Old Dominion (a nickname for the state of Virginia), and married Miss Williams, by whom he had three children: Wesley; Nathaniel, the author of Carter's spelling-book; and Mrs. John Frazier. For his second wife the grandfather wedded Miss Templeton, and to them were born several children. Pleasant Hill, the maternal grandfather of our subject, married Sally Riptoe, and they had a number of children, among whom were Alfred, Pleasant, Jasper, Burton, Polly and Sophia.

"On reaching man's estate, Henry J. Carter was married, May 14, 1848, the lady of his choice being Miss Mary Caroline Preston, who was born in Tennessee, in June, 1830, and is the daughter of Jack Preston. Eleven children blessed this union: James Wesley, John Quincy, Joseph Henry, Sarah Jane, Mary Gussie (born Mary Augusta), Frances Harriet, deceased, George Raymond, Alexander Lee, deceased, Francis Marion, deceased, Alfred Lafayette and David Mitchell.

"With his wife, Mr. Carter left Tennessee, March, 1849, for Texas, going by water to New Orleans, then up the Red river, landing at Shreveport, Louisiana, thence by land to Harrison County, Texas, thence they went to Smith county, where he rented land until 1856. On the 15th of September of that year he became the first settler on Cowhouse creek, in what is now Hamilton County, their nearest neighbor being his brother, James A., who lived seven miles distant, at what is now Evant. At about twelve miles distant resided James Rice and Henry C. Standefer, the first settlers on Leon river in Hamilton County, who were considered neighbors. For sixteen year (for which he received nothing but two percussion caps), Mr. Carter engaged in skirmishes with the Indians, being in the fight at Dove creek, where twenty-seven white men were killed and seventeen wounded. This campaign was one of the most severe and last for thirty days, during which time men not used to cold weather spent a large portion of the time wading in snow several feet deep. The settlers were also reduced to dire extremities for want of food during this service.

"On the Cowhouse, Mr. Carter preempted one hundred and sixty acres of land in 1873, and during those trying early days lost \$500 in the cattle business, which proved a sad misfortune at that time. However, to-day his is the owner of thirty-four hundred acres in Hamilton county, five hundred of which are under a high state of cultivation and well improved, his property being valued at one hundred thousand dollars (in 1896), all accumulated through his own individual efforts. He comes of a most highly respected family, and he is a credit to the worthy family name he bears. That he has made his career a grand success is due to his untiring energy, affability, integrity and judicious conduct as a business man. He always supported the Democratic party until lately, now voting independently of party ties. In religious relations he is a member of the Christian church."

from an unnamed newspaper story on the history of Texas, this article was sent to me (Kathy Beaudry) in July, 2002, by Carolyn Carter Schiewe:

"EARLY SETTLERS WERE RELIGIOUS
by Dona Kauitzsch

"From the very earliest settlers the people never forgot or neglected the religious side of their lives.

"The Carters, who first settled in this section, were devout members of the 'Christian Church.' Whenever it was possible they had a minister to come and hold a meeting.

"When the Methodists, Baptists, and Primitive Baptists moved in, they all attended one another's services. Every preacher was welcome to preach in any frontier school house, there were no rural churches in those days of Hamilton County.

"This story, told by Mrs. Emma Arnett of Hamilton, happened almost 80 years ago.

"Her great uncle, Henry Carter, lived on and owned the Stribling place. He had not yet built the large house but he was still living in a large log cabin. The Blue Ridge school house had been built, and the minister had come to hold a meeting. He insisted that they observe Christmas with a Christmas Tree at the school house. They were to get someone to explain to the crowd just what Christmas really meant and how they should observe it. The Christmas tree was decided, then came the question, "Who on earth could make that talk?" It was finally decided to ask Mr. Carter's nephew, William Ballard, who lived just across the Cowhouse from the Carter Mill. Ballard was a Methodist and he could pray the best prayers, and make the best talks in the county. Ballard accepted the responsibility. He and his family went in a wagon to the Carter home early Christmas eve morning, as they had asked his wife, Annie, to help with the tree decorating.

"The eldest Ballard child (Mrs. Arnett) was quite a small girl. She was frightened when they were greeted by Carter's seven sons. She had never seen so many big, tall boys together and she was afraid.

"They boys sat on seats that had been made by sawing curved logs into lengths - that were set on uprights - the proper heights. Little Emma would have nothing to do with the boys, no matter how hard they coaxed. Until something very interesting happened. They brought in a wash tub and some pop corn. With a covered, long handled, iron skillet they began popping corn over the fire in the open fire place. They never stopped until they had the big 'wash-tub' heaping full, only then would Emma 'make friends' with her mother's cousins.

"Soon women and their children came to the Carter place. They had their precious needles, thimbles, and many long threads that they had spun very fine, and twisted tightly for strength. The group began stringing pop-corn, yards and yards of it, they took a bag of blueing (used in laundering) and made a pan of strong solution of it, this they dipped a part of their corn string into and they came out a beautiful light blue. Then they decided that they must have some aniline to make red dye (exactly what they needed). Annie Ballard had some, that her father had brought her from Galveston; but it was 12 miles away. The men had gone to "the breaks" for a tree. Must they send a boy that far alone? What if the Indians should come? What if his horse stumbled and left him helpless with a broken leg?

"No, this they would do, pioneer style "the best they could, with what they had."

"That night when they went to the school house, never had the children seen anything so beautiful. The large cedar tree reached from floor to ceiling. It was draped with blue and white ropes of pop corn.

"The present were not wrapped, but were stacked at the foot of the tree and hung all over it, unwrapped, by hand spun threads. There were rag dolls and other stuffed toys; guns and pistols that had been whittled from lumber, dresses, shirts, shoes, stockings, and many other handmade things. Each child got a bag of nuts (from the river) and home made candy. The seven Carter boys got a beautiful 'jackknife apiece." These had been brought from Galveston the autumn before and they had been hidden in an iron pot that had been buried under the dirt floor of the cabins. Wax candles, home molded, had been placed in a circle around the tree and grease lamps and lanterns hung on the wall behind it. Every thing was very beautiful.

After "Cousin William" had told them the lovely story about the Christ child, the older ones bowed for prayers. (Not the youngsters, they could not take their eyes off of the glamorous tree.)

"Soon the little girls were mothering a rag doll and little boys were aiming wooden guns.

"How would the children of this generation like toys like that for Christmas. They would be insulted, of course." (end of newspaper article)

BLUE RIDGE SETTLERS

EARLY SETTLERS

Joseph Henry Carter arrived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jones Carter, in Hamilton County from Tennessee on 15 September, 1856, and became the first settlers on the Cowhouse Creek. Indian raids caused Mr. Carter to leave his family in the new town of Hamilton, while he and the older boys lived in a log cabin at Blue Ridge. With oxen they sodded the largest farm in Hamilton County because Mr. Carter had acquired more than a league of land. A double log house was built and as soon as conditions were deemed safe all of the family moved to the farm, and helped to organize and to build

the Blue Ridge School. In 1872 Henry Carter built a large two-story house at Blue Ridge, hauling lumber from Waco on ox-drawn wagons. In October, 1907, this house was sold to Thomas Edwin Stribling and his wife Martha Mariah "Mattie" Kirkland Stribling. This house, which burned in 1977, was later known as the Jack Stribling house. I retrieved from the ashes some of the square nails which held this house together.

In the mid 1870's many early settlers built small houses on public school land at Blue Ridge with the hope that land would be placed on the market at affordable prices. In 1876 public school land at Blue Ridge was sold at prices from 25 cents to \$2.50 an acre.

Other pioneers began settling at Blue Ridge in the 1870's. Marion Andrew Whittenton and his wife Mary Elizabeth Bullard Whittenton arrived at Blue Ridge on December 23, 1871, and camped by a spring and lived in their covered wagon and a dugout until a house could be built. In 1876 Marion Andrew Whittenton donated land to establish a public cemetery--the Whittenton Cemetery at Blue Ridge. Mr. Whittenton made splints, set bones and made caskets for neighbors. Mr. Whittenton helped establish the first school at Blue Ridge and was one of the first trustees. Mrs. Whittenton's sister, Miralda and her husband Tom Wesley arrived at Blue Ridge shortly after the Whittentons.

George Knoll met Nancy Ann Ruth Koen at a singing in the home of a friend at Blue Ridge and they were married 21 December, 1876. George Knoll helped establish schools, churches, and post offices at both Blue Ridge and Aleman where they later lived. The Koens came to Hamilton County in 1876 with their sister Ozilee Pierson and family. On July 20, 1880, A. P. Koen married Eunice Ann West and Lizzie Bullard came to Blue Ridge from Brundedge, AL. They were joined in 1877 by William Hilliard Bullard and his mother Amanda M. Spence (Bullard) Davis and younger siblings Sara "Babe" and Alfred Davis. The trip from AL to Waco was by train. From Waco to Blue Ridge two longhorn steers pulled their wagon over snow-covered trails. William Hilliard Bullard returned to AL for his wife, Cora Allen Bullard, and their baby son John

James Lemuel Grisham, Sr. with his wife Margaret Amanda (Jones) Grisham arrived at Blue Ridge from Fannin County, TX before July, 1880, with four young children--William Richard, James Lemuel "Lem" Jr., Ida Rose Anna, and Charles Ephraim. James Lemuel and Margaret Amanda Grisham were charter members of the Blue Ridge Baptist Church of Christ. For many years they made semi-annual trade trips to Lampasas in their ox drawn wagon to buy staples. The trip took days of travel each way.

William Henry Jarius "Billy" Fergusson and his wife, Sarah Alexander "Sallie" (Adcock) Fergusson moved from Bell County, TX, to a Cowhouse farm of John Dillard Hunt in 1890 with their children--Robert Jeff, Charles Johnson, Callie Mae, Luther Guy and Maggie Roberta.

In October, 1907, Thomas Edwin Stribling purchased the Henry Jones Carter farm and two-story house. He and his family arrived in Hamilton County from Coryell County, TX on 31 October and 1 November, 1907. His family included his wife, Martha Mariah "Mattie" (Kirkland) Stribling and their children, Anna Jane Stribling, Amanda Elizabeth "Mandy" (Stribling) Crain, William Joseph "Joe", John

Thaddeus "Jack", Neil Augustus, and Eugene Perry "Pet." Also moving were Mandy's husband, James Wesley "Jim" Crain and their children--James Edwin, Robert Verne, Ruby Pearl, and Lura Bernice; and Joe's wife, Lillian "Lilly" Dooley Stribling and their children--Willie Eunice, Jessie Laura, and Thomas Edgar.

In 1928 Verge (Claudie Virgus) Grisham built a store/filling station with an attached rock ice house. A feed mill was added. The store/filling station which had attached living quarters was later operated by Elmo and Mildred (Williams) Newsom, Bill and Lorene (Williams) Jones, and Elzie and Mildred (Raibourn) Kemp. The REA brought electricity to Blue Ridge in 1939.

More About HENRY JONES CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Graves-Gentry Cemetery, Hamilton County, Texas

Notes for MARY CAROLINE PRESTON:

The 1910 census for Ochiltree County, Texas lists Mary as living with her son Fayette Carter and his family, in which place she was still living at the time of her death. She had divorced her husband, Henry Jones Carter, in 1896.

from "The Hamilton Herald-News, The Hamilton Rustler," Hamilton, Texas:

"THE PASSING OF MRS. MARY C. CARTER

Pioneer Woman of Hamilton County Dies in Ochiltree Brought Back to Old Home For Burial.

Mrs. Mary C. Carter died at the home of her son, Fayette Carter in Ochiltree County, last Wednesday, October 24, at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon. She had been ill only a short time, just a gentle going to sleep because the night time of life had come, and she was weary with its problems, its sorrows and even its joys. The shadows had grown long, the Beacon Light on the other shore sent out its rays to brighten the track of the waters for the one whose eyes had grown dim to the things that lay along the pathway here, and she laid down the burden of her years and passed over.

Deceased was born in Tennessee in the year of 1830, being at her death 87 years of age. She was married in Tennessee to H. J. Carter in 1848. Together they came to Texas in 1849, settling in Smith County. In 1854 they moved to Hamilton County, settling in the fertile valley of the Cowhouse, the estate becoming baronial in extent and wealth. To their union was born eleven children, eight sons and three daughters, only one of whom, Mrs. Gussie Livingston of the Farnash community resides in this county. She made her home with her son, Fayette Carter who with his family and his mother moved to Ochiltree county in 1912. Thus it was for more than half century she lived in Hamilton county, in the early days battling with and subduing hardships and trials of Pioneer life, a life which robbed womanhood of that protection and tender care which the chivalry of more advanced civilization accords it, yet she was a woman pure and true, a Christian, and exemplary in every relation of life.

By her request the body accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Carter, was brought back to the old family home where a granddaughter of Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Stribling, resides. From there the funeral cortege came to Hamilton Sunday afternoon, burial taking place in the old Hamilton cemetery at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. J. Hall Bowman, pastor of the Methodist church conducting the funeral service. Mrs. Carter had been a consistent member of the Methodist church since a young girl.

Many friends in Hamilton as well as from over the county were gathered at the grave to pay a last tribute of love and respect to this "Mother in Israel" who had gone to her reward. The sympathy of all goes out to the griefstricken loved ones, but they seek not in vain for comfort, for every promise of the scriptures in vouchsafed to them for consolation.

"There's no regret or worry where she is,
No look back, no pain no grief to bear;
No farewell kisses, no last touch of bliss.
No loneliness, no missing, not a tear."

This obituary appeared in the newspaper on November 1, 1917; date of death was October 24, 1917.

More About MARY CAROLINE PRESTON:

Burial: October 28, 1917, Old Hamilton Cemetery, Hamilton, Texas²³

More About HENRY CARTER and MARY PRESTON:

Divorce: May 1896, Hamilton County, Texas

Marriage: May 14, 1848, Tennessee

Children of HENRY CARTER and MARY PRESTON are:

11. i. JAMES WESLEY⁵ CARTER, b. April 22, 1850, Smith County, Texas; d. March 10, 1912, Hamlin, Jones County, Texas.
12. ii. JOHN QUINCY CARTER, b. July 11, 1851, Smith County, Texas; d. February 18, 1934, Woodlake, Tulare County, California.
- iii. SARAH JANE CARTER²⁴, b. July 20, 1854, Smith County, Texas; d. Unknown.
- iv. JOSEPH HENRY CARTER²⁴, b. February 18, 1855, Smith County, Texas; d. Unknown.
13. v. MARY AUGUSTA CARTER, b. February 15, 1856, Smith County, Texas; d. February 08, 1933, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas.
- vi. FRANCES HARRIET CARTER²⁴, b. December 14, 1858; d. Unknown.

Notes for FRANCES HARRIET CARTER:

In the 1870 census for Hamilton County, Texas, Frances is listed as "Fanny."

- vii. GEORGE RAYMOND CARTER²⁴, b. July 16, 1860; d. Unknown.
- viii. ALEXANDER LEE CARTER²⁴, b. October 31, 1862; d. Unknown.

Notes for ALEXANDER LEE CARTER:

In the 1870 census for Hamilton County, Texas, Alexander is listed as "Lee."

- ix. FRANCES MARION CARTER²⁴, b. August 09, 1865; d. Unknown.
14. x. ALFRED LAFAYETTE "FAYETTE" CARTER, b. March 02, 1867, Live Oak, Hamilton County, Texas; d. March 1932, Lampasas County, Texas.
- xi. DAVID MITCHELL CARTER, b. May 10, 1869; d. Unknown.

7. JAMES ATCHLEY⁴ CARTER (*JOHN WESLEY³, CALEB², LEVI¹*) was born September 17, 1828 in Monroe County, Tennessee, and died August 30, 1911 in Hamilton County, Texas²⁵. He married (1) MARY ELIZABETH BEAUCHAMP July 02, 1848 in McNairy County, Tennessee. She was born March 12, 1827 in Tennessee, and died February 29, 1912 in Hamilton County, Texas.

Notes for JAMES ATCHLEY CARTER:

from "Memorial and Biographical History of McLennan, Falls, Bell and Coryell Counties, Texas," published in Chicago by The Lewis Publishing Company

"James A. Carter, one of the original settlers of Langford's cove, Coryell County, Texas, emigrated to this county in November, 1854. He first stopped at Wolf's ranch, where he remained ten months. Desiring a move favorable location, he entered the Cove, being the first white man here for settlement, and he took two pre-emptions. He brought with him a large drove of cattle, the property of John Williams, of Bell County. In running cattle over the broad prairies, he discovered a more suitable locality for agricultural purposes when the range should be exhausted and the grazing industry abandoned. This favored spot is located on Cowhouse Creek, now Hamilton county. He accordingly changed his quarters about two years after his advent to the Cove.

"

Was appointed Sheriff of Hamilton County, TX, from 1862-1864.

More About JAMES ATCHLEY CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Live Oak Cemetery, Hamilton County, Texas²⁵

More About MARY ELIZABETH BEAUCHAMP:

Burial: Unknown, Live Oak Cemetery, Hamilton County, Texas

More About JAMES CARTER and MARY BEAUCHAMP:
Marriage: July 02, 1848, McNairy County, Tennessee

Children of JAMES CARTER and MARY BEAUCHAMP are:

- i. SARAH PETTIS⁵ CARTER²⁵, b. April 23, 1849²⁵; d. Unknown.
- ii. GEORGE QUINCY CARTER²⁵, b. February 12, 1850²⁵; d. Unknown.
- iii. HENRY CLAY CARTER²⁵, b. January 01, 1853; d. Unknown.
15. iv. ELECTRA ANN "ANNIE" CARTER, b. April 25, 1855, Hamilton County, Texas; d. Unknown.
- v. JOSEPHINE CARTER²⁵, b. July 02, 1857; d. Unknown.
- vi. ANSEBEL? CARTER²⁵, b. December 16, 1859; d. Unknown.

Notes for ANSEBEL? CARTER:

This name is probably a typo and should be Annebel.

16. vii. CHARILDA CALEDONIA CARTER, b. November 10, 1861, Hamilton County, Texas; d. Abt. 1948, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas.
- viii. FREDONIA ADALINE CARTER²⁵, b. October 10, 1863; d. Unknown.
- ix. SAMUEL D. CARTER²⁵, b. November 25, 1865; d. Unknown.
- x. ELDORA CARTER²⁵, b. February 10, 1868; d. Unknown.
- xi. ALICE MARY CARTER²⁵, b. August 24, 1870; d. Unknown.

8. JOHN WESLEY⁴ CARTER, JR. (*JOHN WESLEY*³, *CALEB*², *LEVI*¹) was born January 29, 1835 in Monroe County, Tennessee, and died October 30, 1882 in Hamilton County, Texas. He married (2) ELIZABETH JANE RUSHING Abt. 1855 in McNairy County, Tennessee. She was born February 01, 1832 in Alabama, and died June 19, 1924 in Hamilton County, Texas.

Notes for JOHN WESLEY CARTER, JR.:

from "Biographical Sketch of the John W. Carter Family," by Naomi Langford Wittenburg, a great-granddaughter of John W. Carter, and

"A History of Hamilton County, Texas," Published 1979, p. 131

"John and his family arrived in Texas in 1877 from Collins County, Tennessee . . . Nine children were born to them: Jack, Sally, Bell, Jesse, Fannie, John Riley, Mary and Minnie."

More About ELIZABETH JANE RUSHING:

Burial: Unknown, Murphee Cemetery, Hamilton, Texas

More About JOHN CARTER and ELIZABETH RUSHING:

Marriage: Abt. 1855, McNairy County, Tennessee

Children of JOHN CARTER and ELIZABETH RUSHING are:

- i. JAMES A.⁵ CARTER, b. July 01, 1856, McNairy, Tennessee; d. Unknown.
- ii. ISAAC H. CARTER, b. November 25, 1857, McNairy, Tennessee; d. September 25, 1859, McNairy, Tennessee.
- iii. JOHN RILEY CARTER, b. May 20, 1859, McNairy, Tennessee; d. Abt. 1945, Hamilton County, Texas.

More About JOHN RILEY CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Center City Cemetery

- iv. ANDREW JACKSON CARTER, b. September 05, 1862; d. Unknown.
- v. SARAH ANN CARTER, b. May 06, 1864; d. Unknown.
- vi. MISSOURI ISABELL CARTER, b. January 30, 1866, McNairy, Tennessee; d. June 1920, Texas.
17. vii. JESSEE OLIVER CARTER, b. July 09, 1867, McNairy, Tennessee; d. June 10, 1956, Alamogordo, Otero County, New Mexico.
- viii. GEORGE W. CARTER, b. March 29, 1869; d. Unknown.
- ix. FANNIE IDA CARTER, b. 1870; d. Unknown.
18. x. MARY ELIZABETH CARTER, b. September 11, 1872, McNairy, Tennessee; d. August 11, 1928, Texas.
- xi. MINNIE LEE CARTER, b. April 10, 1874, McNairy, Tennessee; d. Unknown.

9. SUSAN ELLEN⁴ CARTER (*PETER T.*³, *JESSE*², *LEVI*¹) was born 1846 in Athens, McMinn County, Tennessee, and

died March 30, 1862 in Daviess County, Missouri. She married ALMA A. TALLEY February 14, 1860 in Daviess County, Missouri. He was born June 22, 1837 in Lawrence County, Ohio, and died December 22, 1923.

More About ALMA TALLEY and SUSAN CARTER:

Marriage: February 14, 1860, Daviess County, Missouri

Child of SUSAN CARTER and ALMA TALLEY is:

- i. INFANT⁵ TALLEY, b. March 30, 1861; d. Unknown.

10. JASPER NEWTON⁴ CARTER (*PETER T.*³, *JESSE*², *LEVI*¹) was born May 23, 1850 in Athens, McMinn County, Tennessee, and died January 23, 1924 in Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri. He married RACHEL COLON LEDGERWOOD Abt. 1871. She was born March 1854 in Missouri, and died April 06, 1937 in Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri.

More About JASPER CARTER and RACHEL LEDGERWOOD:

Marriage: Abt. 1871

Children of JASPER CARTER and RACHEL LEDGERWOOD are:

- i. CORDELIA⁵ CARTER, b. October 1871; d. Unknown.
- ii. CRAWFORD HERMAN CARTER, b. January 08, 1874; d. Unknown.
- iii. INFANT SON CARTER, b. 1875; d. Unknown.
- iv. THOMAS J. CARTER, b. September 23, 1876; d. Unknown.
- v. ANNA L. R. CARTER, b. July 28, 1880; d. Unknown.
- 19. vi. MINERVA IDELLA CARTER, b. August 24, 1881, McFall, Gentry County, Missouri; d. September 07, 1949, Bethany, Harrison County, Missouri.
- vii. EFFIE ETHEL CARTER, b. April 19, 1884; d. Unknown.
- viii. ANDREW JACKSON CARTER, b. June 01, 1886; d. Unknown.
- ix. NEVADA AZELLA CARTER, b. February 1888; d. Unknown.
- x. MATTIE ESTELLA CARTER, b. 1890; d. Unknown.

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11. JAMES WESLEY⁵ CARTER (*HENRY JONES*⁴, *JOHN WESLEY*³, *CALEB*², *LEVI*¹)^{26,27} was born April 22, 1850 in Smith County, Texas²⁸, and died March 10, 1912 in Hamlin, Jones County, Texas²⁹. He married (1) SAMANTHA JOSEPHINE KUYKENDALL³⁰ September 16, 1874 in Hamilton County, Texas³⁰. She died Unknown. He married (2) EVELINE JACKSON³⁰ Abt. 1903³⁰. She died Unknown.

Notes for JAMES WESLEY CARTER:

From The Hamilton Record and Rustler, dated March 14, 1912.

"Committed Suicide"

James W. Carter, Former Hamilton Citizen Commits
Suicide by Taking Strychnine---

"Sheriff Ed Beck was apprised by phone message from Hamlin last Sunday of the death by suicide of James W. Carter of that city at about 10:30 o'clock that morning. Until a few years ago Mr. Carter was a citizen of Hamilton County and is survived by a brother, A. L. Carter, of Blue Ridge, and a son, David Carter, of Evant, and two daughters, Mesdames Lady Hastings and May Jones, also of Evant in this county. Relatives were informed of the deplorable affair and David Carter left on the afternoon train to attend the funeral. We have been unable to obtain particulars as to the cause of his committing the rash act. "

More About JAMES CARTER and SAMANTHA KUYKENDALL:

Marriage: September 16, 1874, Hamilton County, Texas³⁰

More About JAMES CARTER and EVELINE JACKSON:

Marriage: Abt. 1903³⁰

Children of JAMES CARTER and SAMANTHA KUYKENDALL are:

- i. DAVID HENRY⁶ CARTER, b. January 07, 1878, Blue Ridge, Hamilton County, Texas; d. December 30, 1957, Gatesville, Coryell County, Texas.
- ii. LADY CARTER, b. December 06, 1880, Hamilton County, Texas; d. Unknown; m. W.D. HASTINGS, January 02, 1898; d. Unknown.

Notes for LADY CARTER:

Marriage ended in divorce, according to research of Carolyn Carter Schiewe, and records are probably in Abilene, Texas.

More About W.D. HASTINGS and LADY CARTER:

Marriage: January 02, 1898

- iii. MAYE CARTER, b. November 07, 1884, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas; d. October 05, 1972, Stamford, Jones County, Texas.

12. JOHN QUINCY⁵ CARTER (*HENRY JONES⁴, JOHN WESLEY³, CALEB², LEVI¹*)^{31,32,33,33} was born July 11, 1851 in Smith County, Texas^{34,34,34}, and died February 18, 1934 in Woodlake, Tulare County, California³⁵. He married ELIZABETH BLANSIT³⁶ 1872 in Hamilton County, Texas, daughter of JOHN BLANSIT and ELEANOR WHITE. She was born September 1856 in Alabama, and died November 08, 1931 in Woodlake area of Tulare, Tulare County, California.

Notes for JOHN QUINCY CARTER:

In the 1880 census for Hamilton County Texas, John's occupation is listed as farmer, with his parents both born in Tennessee. At that time he was living with his wife Elizabeth and 5 children.

In the 1900 census, John is shown living in Foard County, Texas with his wife "Lizzie" and 9 children, the youngest of whom is Grace, the grandmother of Kathy Beaudry. According to that record, Elizabeth had 15 children, with 13 still living.

The 1910 census shows John and his wife as having 10 children, with 9 still living, and Elizabeth is said to have been born in Texas, which is incorrect. It is likely that one of the children gave the information to the census taker.

In the 1920 census, John was living in Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona with his wife Elizabeth, daughter Grace Downey, and grand-daughter Evelyn Downey, mother of Kathy Beaudry.

For the 1930 census, John and Elizabeth were living with their son James A. Carter, in Woodlake, Tulare County, CA. That record, though, is misindexed as J.A. "Caster" instead of Carter.

After I found the information about John's death on-line from a site that lists the records of burials in the Visalia Cemetery, I visited the cemetery and took pictures. Neither John nor his wife have headstones, just a concrete "button" in the ground to mark the plot number.

When I was a child, my mother told me that she had lived with her grandparents and uncles on a farm. Unfortunately, she either didn't tell me the names of the uncles, or I have forgotten. When she was five years old, she went to live with her own mother, who had remarried.

More About JOHN QUINCY CARTER:

Burial: February 20, 1934, Visalia Cemetery, Visalia, Tulare County, California^{37,37,37}

Notes for ELIZABETH BLANSIT:

In the 1900 census for Foard County, TX, Elizabeth is listed as having 15 children with 13 of them still living. In the 1900 census, Elizabeth is called "Lizzie;" in the 1880 and 1920 census she is called Elisabeth; she is buried under the name of "Betty Carter."

Elizabeth is the daughter of John Chambers Blanchet/Blansit and is the sister of Amanda Maude Blansit. Maude married Alfred Lafayette "Fayette" Carter, the brother of John Quincy Carter.

In 2000 and 2002, Kathy McNeil Beaudry visited Visalia Cemetery, where Elizabeth and John are buried. Sad to say, they have no headstones, only a concrete "button" to mark their graves. The plots were paid for by their oldest son, James A. Carter.

More About ELIZABETH BLANSIT:

Burial: November 10, 1931, Visalia Cemetery, Visalia, Tulare County, California³⁸

Marriage Notes for JOHN CARTER and ELIZABETH BLANSIT:

In the 1930 census, J.Q. is listed as first married at age 18, and Elizabeth first married at age 16.

More About JOHN CARTER and ELIZABETH BLANSIT:

Marriage: 1872, Hamilton County, Texas

Children of JOHN CARTER and ELIZABETH BLANSIT are:

- i. JAMES ALEXANDER⁶ CARTER^{39,39,40}, b. June 12, 1873, Hamilton County, Texas^{41,42}; d. November 23, 1946, Woodlake area of Tulare, Tulare County, California^{43,43,43}; m. IDA F. RAY, Abt. 1901, probably Oklahoma; b. Abt. 1880, Indiana⁴⁴; d. Aft. November 1946, probably California⁴⁵.

Notes for JAMES ALEXANDER CARTER:

I got the info about James' date of death from the California Death Index, at Rootsweb.com. In his parents' obituaries, he is called "J.A." and is said to have been living near or in Visalia, California as early as 1931 and as late as his father's death in 1934.

In February of 2004, I obtained a death certificate for James. It lists his wife as "Ida Ray Carter," his occupation at the time of his death as "farmer," and his parents as John Q. Carter and Betty Blancet. In his earliest Census Records - 1910 & 1920, his wife is listed as Ida F. Carter. I have concluded (perhaps wrongly) that her birth surname was "Ray" since she is listed that way on James' death certificate.

In 1910 James & Ida were living in Greer County, Oklahoma, with children:

Raymond, son, aged 8 b. OK, father born TX, mother born. IN

Henry H., son, aged 6, OK, TX, IN

Winnie M., daughter, aged 4, OK, TX, IN

Layette (sic), son, aged 1 8/12, OK, TX, IN

In 1920 James & Ida were living in Seminole County, Oklahoma, with children:

Raymon (sic), 18, OK, IN, IN, farmer, home farm

Henry, 16, OK, IN, IN, laborer, home farm

Winnie, daughter, 13, OK, IN, IN, laborer, home farm

Layette, son, 10, OK, IN, IN, laborer, home farm

Mary, daughter, 7, OK, IN, IN, laborer, home farm

In 1930 James is listed as "J.A. & Ida Caster," (sic) living in Tulare County, CA with:

Logfith, (sic), son, age 21, widower, OK, TX, IN, farm laborer

J.Q., father, age 78, married at age 18, TX, TN, TN, farm laborer

Elizabeth, mother, age 74, married at age 16, TX, TN, TN

According to his WW I Draft registration, James was of medium height and build, with blue eyes and brown hair. At the time he signed his draft card information, on September 12, 1918, he and his wife Ida were living at Rt. 1 Bearden, Okfuskee, Oklahoma. He signed up for the draft in Seminole County, Oklahoma.

More About JAMES ALEXANDER CARTER:

Burial: November 26, 1946, Woodlake Cemetery, Woodlake, Tulare, California

Cause of Death: cerebral hemorrhage

Medical Information: caused by hypertension

Marriage Notes for JAMES CARTER and IDA RAY:

In the 1900 census, James was unmarried and living with his parents. I based his marriage date on that fact, plus his first born child being 8 years old in the 1910 census.

More About JAMES CARTER and IDA RAY:

Marriage: Abt. 1901, probably Oklahoma

- ii. LAURA ISABELLE CARTER^{46,46}, b. August 26, 1874, Hamilton County, Texas; d. August 26, 1964, Tucumcari, Quay County, New Mexico; m. JAMES WALTER MONCUS, July 16, 1900, Crowell, Texas; b. February 22, 1875, Talledega County, Alabama; d. May 26, 1955, Tucumcari, Quay County, New Mexico.

Notes for LAURA ISABELLE CARTER:

from: the Albuquerque Journal, Sunday September 19, 1999

"PIONEERS FOUGHT DUST & HARDSHIP

by Fritz Thompson

"In the summer of 1902, wanderlust seized J. Walter Moncus and wouldn't let go. He loaded his wife, Laura Isabel Carter Moncus, and their infant son, Herman, into a couple of covered wagons and headed northwest from south Texas, planning to wind up in Arizona. He hoped to homestead, do a little dry-land farming, raise some livestock, get a flock of chickens, maybe open a general store somewhere near present-day Phoenix. "My grandmother didn't want to go," says Lynn Moncus, who has a hefty and now-typewritten manuscript that Isabel left in longhand as legacy to the family's sojourn into the Southwest. "She wasn't interested in moving out here at all. She thought she'd be leaving civilization behind."

"Walter Moncus had no such misgivings, but a chance meeting along the way changed his mind about going as far as Arizona.

"The Moncus family stopped, stayed and left its mark instead upon New Mexico.

"From the rugged Moncus Canyon in a crease of the Caprock to the Quay County sheriff's office in Tucumcari, the sons and daughters of Walter and Isabel found wind and dust and difficulty, wrestling life from the uncompromising soil and from the endemic grama grass in northeastern New Mexico. Along the way, Walter and later his son Claude pinned on a badge and kept law and order in a territory that was known to harbor bad men and their moveable feuds, particularly those from Texas.

"All the while, pioneers like the Moncus family straggled into the country, rolling their creaky wagons onto the vast, flat landform called the Caprock.

"OFF TO A NEW LAND

"Walter and Claude would establish a cattle ranch here, and they would learn in the meantime -- like so many others -- that dryland farming in an extended drought on the plains of eastern New Mexico could be disaster.

"It was here too that Isabel Moncus confronted and death with a racial prejudice she had held all her life, later to wonder at Texas history books and her own failure to recognize the slanted way she had conducted herself until then.

"By trying hard to make a living, the Moncus family eventually covered all the occupations important in those early days. They ranched right on through the Dust Bowl; father and son in different generations served as county sheriff; they ran a rural general store; and they birthed children and fixed broken bones -- the latter because Isabel Moncus brought with her a medical tome -- 'she had the book!' -- and it gave instructions on treating all manner of injuries and ailments.

"Granddaughter Mary Lynn Moncus (many of the Moncuses went by their middle name), now 64, is a retired professor of Southwestern literature and folklore at New Mexico State University. She remembers a childhood spent in her parents' then-dirt-floor, tin-roof house with no running water and a grandmother, on her father's side, who was her best friend.

"When they came here, they didn't even know what kind of wild critters to expect in this new countryside," she says. "But they brought 21 head of cattle with them, they were tough and exceedingly resourceful and they survived."

"No such confidence flows from her grandmother's account, which she proclaimed as fiction but which Lynn Moncus says is in fact biographical. And how her grandmother lamented leaving the area around Hamilton County, Texas:

(from Isabell's manuscript:

"I loved that home; I could see possibilities of our acquiring adjoining farms and becoming wealthy farmers and stock raisers. I didn't want to sell our home . . . and go West! Of all places. I didn't want to go . . .

"For the first few days, we traveled slowly. The cattle had wintered hard and were thin. They could travel only a few miles a day.

"How hard and dreadfully lonely and dreary it could be . . ."

"As they made their way West, the little Moncus family (Isabel's brother Claude Carter drove one of the wagons) would stop at fledgling farms of acquaintances who had preceded them but had not ventured farther.

"Every time grandpa stopped, my grandmother hoped, 'Maybe we'll stay here'," Lynn Moncus says. "They'd do some canning, and my grandmother would make cuttings of fruit trees to plant an orchard. And then grandpa would decide it was time to move on . . ."

"Isabel Moncus thought Plainview, Texas, was civilized, but by the time they reached the aptly named Stinking Springs in eastern New Mexico, she knew for sure it was the end of niceties.

"Isabel Moncus may have been tougher than she thought. Lynn Moncus says some of her grandmother's contemporaries were actually driven mad by the stark loneliness and the incessant wind that swept over the empty prairie.

"The men could get on a horse and ride away, but the women didn't have a chance; they had to stay there, often alone in a dugout with no one to talk to and every day was like the day before, only worse.

"But her grandmother's adjustment to life in the New Mexico Territory was not itself without a hint of despair from the jolting journey of the wagon.

"In a few miles, we went off into such a depression or basin several miles in extent . . . such as sometimes occurs on the plains. This, I thought, is like the true deserts I've read and heard of, and dreaded as much all along . . . Not a sprig of grass, nothing but greasewood, sand and gravel . . . but plenty of that.

"Walter changed his mind about where he was going not long after arriving in New Mexico Territory. Someone rode into their trailside camp and told them about good ranchland between Fort Sumner and

Tucumcari near the southern escarpment of the Caprock.

"Walter Moncus decided to look into the report and he rode to Tucumcari, which was then little more than a tent city. People there had some encouraging words but warned him to stay off the fenced property of the big Horseshoe Ranch, which frowned on homesteaders, who they equated with squatters. It was here that Isabel Moncus was introduced to the kind of country she was in. Already, she had recognized -- almost without realizing it -- the importance of water in the part of the plains.

" 'We drove across the basin the basin, not so far as it seemed, and came to a big cattle outfit that had various wells in different parts of their range; but this was the first ones we'd struck, and we stayed there a couple of hours while the cattle drank and rested. They were almost fagged out. Some wouldn't have gone another mile, only that they sensed they were nearing water, and we ate our lunch while resting.'

"ADVENTURE IN THE PAST

"Lynn Moncus has nothing but pleasant memories of her life in the company of pioneers, and the hardships that her grandparents and parents had endured were for her the stuff of adventure in the Caprock country -- even when she had to make the torturous trip to the spring to fetch a pail of water.

"Her assessment of her grandparents' character revolves mostly around her grandmother Isabel. But grandfather Walter evidently made quite an impression; he was a forceful and opinionated man, she says, and she could always calculate his mood by the way he set his hat.

" 'Grandpa was good to me,' she says. 'But grandpa tended to raise his voice a little bit. He maybe liked to talk big . . . He had a high school education, which was unusual in that time. He like to talk politics and religion. He had a particular interpretation of the Bible, and if you didn't agree, it was bad news. He was a real table-pounder. When I was little, I used to think, 'Boy, I'll be glad when I get old enough to leave the table quick.'

"By contrast, her grandmother 'lived her religion; she was a front-row Baptist.

"Despite their different personalities, Lynn says, her grandparents came to be held in high respect by people in the Caprock county.

"A PLACE TO SETTLE

"Right after their arrival, Walter and Isabel felt fortunate to find a live spring in a place called CHARCO CANYON. They staked a claim and, in time, the place became known as Moncus Canyon. It was further fortunate that it was outside, if barely, the boundaries of the Horseshoe Ranch.

"Isabel tells about finding the place:

" ' (Walter) gave a loud whoop. He was babbling and almost raving in his delight. I'd never seen him so excited about anything and I wondered if he'd lost his mind. Then he stopped the team and finally gave me a chance to answer him. *Old lady, just what do you think of this?*' *It's perfect,* I said. *And house or no house, it just seems like home to me . . . But when we do get a house, can you imagine anything nicer than our home on the range will be in this very location?*

"The first house was no fancy affair. It was built of closely set vertical posts, chinked with mud. It was followed by a large frame house with a shingle roof and a porch on three sides, built on the open top of Caprock, Lynn Moncus says, where it could be struck by lightning and blasted by the wind.

"Young Herman soon was joined by a sister, Ima, and then twins, Claude and Maude, and twins again, Ray and May.

"For a while, Walter and Isabel Moncus were the first and only homesteaders in the area. But other came. Walter and his brother Burnace erected a shack and opened the Moncus Brothers General Store. A blacksmith set up shop nearby, and soon there became a need for a post office, which was established in 1908 with the postmark of Ima.

"Walter later built an adobe house with a shingle roof down in the canyon, and son Claude and his wife Sara -- Lynn's parents -- established themselves in a half dugout around the bend in the canyon. First Walter and later Claude were elected sheriff, and Lynn Moncus remembers moving back and forth between the ranch and Tucumcari as her father served three separate terms.

"Claude the sheriff achieved a measure of fame, was even written up in a crime magazine, for solving a semi-sensation murder of a man whose body was dumped near Tucumcari in the 1950's. Claude doggedly figured out the identity of the victim and traced his car to Amarillo, found no better clue than a matchbook in the car and, beginning with nothing else, used the matchbook to determine who the killer was and to track him to Surgeon Bay, Wis. The culprit was subsequently arrested in California and convicted in New Mexico, where he died in the electric chair. Claude, a modest man, could have attributed his success to the streak of resourcefulness exhibited by his parents in challenging a new land with two covered wagons and a baby boy.

"For all their struggles in those first years, it was perhaps Isabel who fought and won the biggest one. 'My grandmother was terribly frightened of Mexicans,' says Lynn Moncus. 'But later on she got angry at the misrepresentations of Mexican people she found in the history books. (Isabel later wrote) 'I was afraid of the Mexicans . . . I'd never seen a Mexican; but wasn't I a teacher? I knew my Texas history. I knew that the Mexicans were a race of cowardly cutthroats . . . Oh, that history had me ruined, in that respect, for pioneering.' Later, as she came to know them in New Mexico, Isabel's perceptions changed. 'My preconceived ideas of the Spanish race were wrong. I found them to be as upright, honorable and sensible as my own race. Of course there were dishonorable one among them, but neither could my own race boast of perfection. Then is when I began to wonder about my Texas history. Could those atrocious crimes as related

in that history have been committed in retaliation from crimes equally as great, that we had committed against them? We made history of theirs but failed to mention our own crimes. Be that as it may, had I learned that lesson years earlier, I would have been spared the bitter hatred, fear and suffering that I endured until I learned the race among whom I am proud to acknowledge I have many good friends.'

"OPTIMISTIC PIONEERS

"Since almost the beginning of this century, the Moncus family has had a presence in Quay County and Eastern New Mexico. Lynn Moncus says she's the last Moncus left. Her grandparents, only two generations removed, were reflections of thousands of other optimistic pioneers who loaded down their wagons with nearly every earthly possession and set off down a dirt road -- more confident than apprehensive -- to farm and ranch in the unfamiliar but expansive West. Some of them came to New Mexico.

"The grass has not completely come back in fields abandoned to the fickleness of dryland farming. They lie in silent legacy to the unwise practice of taking a plow to some parts of the prairie, harvesting bumper crops of dust. But even if the crops and cattle failed, the people endured.

" 'I have nothing but good memories of pioneer time,' says Lynn Moncus. ' They were hard times but we were all equal. We were all grubbing for a living. And even if some people were at war with each other, if one got hurt or in trouble or got sick, you went over to their place and brought in the crop or branded cattle or whatever needed to be done.'

"Walter and Isabel Moncus, facing advanced age, move to Fort Sumner and then to Tucumcari in their later years. He died at 80 in 1955. She died at 90 in 1964. They are buried at a cemetery in Tucumcari."

More About JAMES MONCUS and LAURA CARTER:

Marriage: July 16, 1900, Crowell, Texas

- iii. JOHN C. CARTER^{46,46}, b. 1876; d. Unknown.
- iv. ELLEN C. CARTER^{46,46}, b. September 10, 1877, Hamilton County, Texas⁴⁷; d. April 11, 1951, Crowell, Foard County, Texas⁴⁸; m. CHARLES EDWARD LYON, August 10, 1902, Foard County, Texas⁴⁹; b. March 11, 1879, Lamar County, Texas⁵⁰; d. October 06, 1946, Crowell, Foard County, Texas⁵¹.

Notes for ELLEN C. CARTER:

In the 1910 census for Wilbarger County, TX:

Charlie E. Lyon, head, age 31, married 7 years, b. TX, VA, VA, farmer

Ellen N., wife, age 32, had 2 children, 1 still living, m. 7 yrs., b. TX, TN, TN

Annie G., daughter, age 6, TX, TX, TX

In the 1920 Wilbarger County, TX census:

Lyans (sic), Charlie E., head, age 40, TX, US, MO, farmer

Helen (sic), wife, age 42, TX, TN, TN

Grace, daughter, 16, TX, TX, TX

Virgil L., son, age 8, TX, TX, TX

In 1930, Foard County, TX:

Lyon, Charles E., head, 51, TX, VA, VA, farmer

Ella (sic), wife, 52, TX, AL, AL

Virgil, son, 18, TX, TX, TX, farm laborer

More About ELLEN C. CARTER:

Cause of Death: coronary thrombosis

Notes for CHARLES EDWARD LYON:

According to the Death Records Book for Foard County, Texas, Charles was a farmer, and had lived in Crowell for 55 years, 0 months and 0 days.

More About CHARLES EDWARD LYON:

Burial: October 07, 1946, Crowell, Foard County, Texas⁵¹

Cause of Death: apoplexy

Medical Information: contributory cause - right-side paralysis 1945, duration 1 year

Marriage Notes for ELLEN CARTER and CHARLES LYON:

Marriage performed by C. E. Lindsey, Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

More About CHARLES LYON and ELLEN CARTER:
Marriage: August 10, 1902, Foard County, Texas⁵²

- v. HENRY HARDEE CARTER^{53,53,53}, b. May 31, 1879, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas⁵⁴; d. Abt. 1945, Penrose, Fremont, Colorado⁵⁵; m. MYRTLE⁵⁶, Bet. 1910 - 1911, probably Colorado⁵⁷; b. Abt. 1895, Colorado⁵⁷; d. Unknown.

Notes for HENRY HARDEE CARTER:

In the 1910 census, Henry Hardee Carter is living in the household of:

Gunn, Rial M. , head, age 34, farmer

Mary, wife, age 27,

Lola, daughter, age 6,

Bessie, daughter, age 3

Carter, Hardy, laborer, age 28, TX, US, US, farm hand

In the 1920 census for Fremont County, Colorado:

Carter, H.H., head, age 37, b. TX, TN, TN, farmer

Myrtle, wife, age 25, b. CO, Eng, Eng

May, daughter, age 8, b. CO, TX, CO

Cornelia, daughter, age 5, CO, TX, CO

Lily, daughter, age 3, 6/12, CO, TX, CO

Elizabeth, daughter, age 1 3/12, CO, TX, CO

1930 census, Fremont County, Colorado:

Easter (sic), Hardee H., age 47, TX, TX, TX, farmer

Myrtle M., age 34, CO, Eng, Eng

May B., age 18,

Cornelia, age 16

Lily, age 13

Elizabeth M., age 11

Isabel L., age 5

Hardee L., age 2

note from Kathy:

I have conflicting dates of birth on this man.

More About HENRY HARDEE CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Penrose Cemetery, Penrose, Fremont, Colorado

Marriage Notes for HENRY CARTER and MYRTLE:

Their date of marriage is based on Hardee being listed as single in the 1910 census, his first child being born about 1912, and Myrtle saying in the 1930 census that she married at age 16.

More About HENRY CARTER and MYRTLE:

Marriage: Bet. 1910 - 1911, probably Colorado⁵⁷

- vii. CLAUDE CORNELIUS CARTER⁵⁸, b. September 20, 1880, Hamilton County, Texas⁵⁹; d. November 26, 1961, Atascadero, California⁶⁰; m. DIXIE MAY LOWDER, Bef. 1918; b. Abt. 1898, Oklahoma⁶¹; d. Unknown.

Notes for CLAUDE CORNELIUS CARTER:

note from Kathy:

I have found conflicting dates of birth for this man.

More About CLAUDE CARTER and DIXIE LOWDER:

Marriage: Bef. 1918

- viii. PAUL B. CARTER^{62,63}, b. December 1882, probably Hamilton County, Texas⁶⁴; d. Unknown.

Notes for PAUL B. CARTER:

In the 1910 census, Paul was living in Chaves County, NM, as a boarder with the Tilghman Howard family.

He is listed as a farmer.

- viii. BABY CARTER⁶⁵, b. Bet. 1883 - 1885⁶⁵; d. Unknown.

Notes for BABY CARTER 1:

The existence of this child and its possible date of birth is only hypothetical, based on information that Elizabeth and John had 18 children. This tentative data should be verified.

- ix. MYRTLE ETHEL CARTER⁶⁶, b. October 1886, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas⁶⁷; d. February 19, 1923, Wichita County, Texas⁶⁸; m. JACOB M. COYLE^{69,70}, November 18, 1907, Foard County, Texas⁷¹; b. Abt. 1861, Texas⁷²; d. Aft. 1930, probably Texas.

Notes for MYRTLE ETHEL CARTER:

Notes for JACOB M. COYLE:

In his marriage record, Jacob is listed as J.M. I found his given name in the 1910 census record for Foard County, Texas.

In the 1930 census for Wichita County, TX, Precinct 2, Jacob is living with his four youngest children and is listed as a widower. At the age of 70 he is still working, as a laborer in the oil fields.

More About JACOB COYLE and MYRTLE CARTER:

Marriage: November 18, 1907, Foard County, Texas⁷³

- x. LEONA AMANDA "JOSIE" CARTER^{74,75}, b. October 01, 1888, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas^{76,77}; d. January 07, 1989, Pearsall, Frio, Texas⁷⁸; m. (1) JAMES WHITLEY⁷⁹, Abt. 1907, Texas⁷⁹; b. Abt. 1879, Texas⁸⁰; d. Unknown; m. (2) WALLACE J. "PAT" PATTON, Aft. 1923, probably Texas; d. Abt. 1972, Pearsall, Frio, Texas.

Notes for LEONA AMANDA "JOSIE" CARTER:

Her name is listed as Amanda on the 1900 Census Records, but she was called "Josie" or "Jo" by her family. In later years she went by the name of Leona, perhaps after divorce from James Whitley. Her SSDI record lists her as Leona Patton, born Leona Carter, and her parents as John Quincy Carter and Elizabeth Blansit. She is buried in the Pearsall, Texas cemetery under the name Leona Amanda Patton, beside her second husband, Wallace J. "Pat" Patton.

Her marriage record to James Whitley lists her as "Josie Carter."

More About JAMES WHITLEY and LEONA CARTER:

Divorced: Abt. 1923, Texas

Marriage: Abt. 1907, Texas⁸¹

More About WALLACE PATTON and LEONA CARTER:

Marriage: Aft. 1923, probably Texas

- xi. A. D. CARTER⁸², b. February 1891, Hamilton County, Texas⁸³; d. June 15, 1914, Potter County, Texas⁸⁴.

Notes for A. D. CARTER:

- xii. BABY CARTER 2⁸⁵, b. Bet. 1892 - 1894⁸⁵; d. Unknown.

Notes for BABY CARTER 2:

The existence of this child and its date of birth is only hypothetical, based on the information that Elizabeth Carter had given birth to 15 children by the 1900 census. It should be verified.

- xiii. CARL R. CARTER^{86,87,87}, b. June 1895⁸⁸; d. Unknown.

Notes for CARL R. CARTER:

This may be the man referred to in a letter from Lynn Moncus as "Uncle Ross."

- xiv. JOHN Q. "MAN" CARTER, JR.^{89,90}, b. November 1897⁹¹; d. Unknown.

- xv. GRACE MARGARET CARTER^{92,93,94,95,96}, b. February 1899, Crowell, Foard County, Texas⁹⁷; d. July 14, 1929, Phoenix, Maricopa County, AZ^{98,98}; m. (1) JACK DOWNEY⁹⁹, Abt. 1916, Texas; b. Bet. 1885 - 1899, United States¹⁰⁰; d. Bef. January 1920, probably Texas; m. (2) ROSCOE LLOYD MILLS, Aft. January 1920; b. Abt. 1886, probably Massachusetts; d. 1925, Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona.

Notes for GRACE MARGARET CARTER:

In the 1900 census for Foard County, Texas, Grace is listed as being born in February of 1899.

In the 1920 census, Grace Carter Downey is living with her parents and daughter, Evelyn Downey. She is listed as being a widow, with her occupation as laborer in a laundry.

More About GRACE MARGARET CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Cremated at Greenwood Memorial Cemetery, Phoenix, Arizona

Cause of Death: pulmonary tuberculosis

Medical Information: duration 1 year 6 months, contracted in Arizona

More About JACK DOWNEY and GRACE CARTER:

Marriage: Abt. 1916, Texas

More About ROSCOE MILLS and GRACE CARTER:

Marriage: Aft. January 1920

- xvi. BABY CARTER 3, b. Aft. 1900; d. Unknown.

Notes for BABY CARTER 3:

The existence of this child and its possible date of birth is hypothetical, based on information that Elizabeth Carter had given birth to a total of 18 children. This information needs to be verified.

- xvii. HER??? CARTER¹⁰¹, b. Abt. 1902, Foard County, Texas¹⁰²; d. Unknown.

Notes for HER??? CARTER:

The name of this boy is nearly undecipherable to me on the 1910 Census Record, the only record I have of him, and could be Herbert, Harris, Ernest or Harold. Researchers who want to look at the record and make a guess at the name should look for the family of John Carter in Foard County, TX.

- xviii. BABY BOY CARTER¹⁰³, b. July 07, 1904, Near Crowell, Foard County, Texas¹⁰⁴; d. July 07, 1904, Near Crowell, Foard County, Texas.

Notes for BABY BOY CARTER:

According to the "Birth & Death Book 1, Foard County, Texas," this baby boy was stillborn. The name of the physician or coroner reporting - W. H. Adams, M.D., Crowell, Texas. Date of record - August 4, 1904, Date of report - July 8, 1904, Date of death - July 7, 1904 at 11 p. m.

13. MARY AUGUSTA⁵ CARTER (*HENRY JONES⁴, JOHN WESLEY³, CALEB², LEVI¹*)¹⁰⁵ was born February 15, 1856 in Smith County, Texas¹⁰⁶, and died February 08, 1933 in Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas. She married JAMES SAMUEL LIVINGSTON^{107,108} Bef. 1874 in Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas, son of UEL LIVINGSTON and MARY MANNING. He was born May 29, 1855 in Bastrop County, Texas^{109,110}, and died April 23, 1898 in Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹¹.

Notes for MARY AUGUSTA CARTER:

In the 1900 census for Hamilton County, Texas, "Gussie" is listed as a widow and farmer with 13 living children, and the mother of either 17 or 19 children. (It's hard to read the exact number)

More About MARY AUGUSTA CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Old Hamilton Cemetery, Hamilton County, Texas

Notes for JAMES SAMUEL LIVINGSTON:

In the 1880 census for Hamilton County, Texas, Jim's occupation(s) is listed as: Farmer, Merchant and Stock raiser.

from the Internet at:

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~gazeteer2000/chasley/ches_005.htm

the following passages were posted by Elreeta Crain Weathers

"[William Dennis "Bill" Payne married Olive "Ollie" Dunlap in 1872 in Hill County and relocated to Hamilton County later that year. William Payne was murdered in Beckham County, Oklahoma, on July 12, 1914.]

"PAYNE KILLS LIVINGSTON

It was about 1898 that Payne killed Livingston. It was Saturday night and they had been, were at Hamilton drinking pretty heavily. James S. "Jim" Livingston it was said had given Payne a severe beating. Later it was

said when Payne was standing at the saloon door Livingston came up and called him a "@#%@\$" and said he had what it took to take care of him. Payne shot and killed Livingston, the ball going through his forearm, upper arm, and into his side, from which it was deduced that Livingston was reaching for his throat.

Jim Livingston was taken upstairs to Dr. R.A. Kooker's office. He was asked if he had any statement to make and he said he did not . . .

In the trial for killing Poe, Payne was defeated (sic) by Judge James A. Edison (our next door neighbor, later on the Austin Court of Civil Appeals) and acquitted. In the second trial, for killing Jim Livingston, he was defended by Judge C.K. Bell, later attorney general, and assisted by my uncle John C. Main, and was convicted. His reputation was so bad that he was given two years this time and served it. After he came back he did not stay long, but went to Indian Territory, where he was shot by a fellow from some distance with a buffalo gun and killed.

(Several years ago a jovial young man introduced himself to me on the street as Tom Livingston. He was the grandson of Jim Livingston. His father was "Cad" Livingston, possibly named after Mr. Williams. He was born and reared in New Mexico, but at the time was ranching in Oklahoma. He spoke of "White Metal" Livingston, of whom Mr. Williams sometimes spoke, and who Mr. Jim Read, the bartender in Uncle Bill Jones' saloon in Reserve, New Mexico, told Evetts Halley and me that he knew. We also discussed one of the Livingstons who was an historian in New Mexico, and he told of one who had been a prominent lawyer there.)

(The original Livingston was Mr. Uel (sic) Livingston, one of the earliest and best know (sic) ranchers in the county, the father of Jim and the others. There was the story that someone visited his home saw a new Bible, and said, "Mr. Livingston, that is a beautiful Bible. Do you read it much?" He answered that it was only in times of bad drought.)

(John E. Chesley, my uncle, who ranched here and later in Stephens County, told me there was a "Red Jim" and a "Black Jim," that one was a heavy drinker, the other an abstainer, and that the drinker stopped short and the other took it up.")

More About JAMES SAMUEL LIVINGSTON:

Burial: Unknown, Old Hamilton Cemetery, Hamilton County, Texas

More About JAMES LIVINGSTON and MARY CARTER:

Marriage: Bef. 1874, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas

Children of MARY CARTER and JAMES LIVINGSTON are:

- i. EWELL HENRY⁶ LIVINGSTON¹¹², b. September 20, 1874, Hamilton County, Texas^{113,114}; d. April 30, 1935, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁵; m. ROXIE MAMIE BRUNER¹¹⁵, July 22, 1906, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁵; b. July 09, 1881¹¹⁵; d. November 17, 1967, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁵.

Notes for EWELL HENRY LIVINGSTON:

note from Kathy Beaudry: There are variations in the records as to the spelling of this name: Uel, Eul, Euell and Ewell, but in the 1880 census, it was spelled Euell.

In the 1910 census for Hamilton TX, Ewell was listed as Henry E..

More About EWELL HENRY LIVINGSTON:

Burial: Unknown, Old Hamilton Cemetery, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁵

More About EWELL LIVINGSTON and ROXIE BRUNER:

Marriage: July 22, 1906, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁵

- ii. JOHN RAYMOND LIVINGSTON¹¹⁶, b. January 27, 1877, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁶; d. February 27, 1920, Carlsbad, Eddy County, New Mexico; m. ANNIE WEEKS, December 31, 1919, probably New Mexico; d. Unknown.

Notes for JOHN RAYMOND LIVINGSTON:

Obituary for Raymond Livingston, from The Hamilton Record and Hustler, Hamilton, Texas, March 4, 1920:

"DEATH AND BURIAL OF RAYMOND LIVINGSTON

"J. Raymond Livingston, well known stockman, died at Eddy County Hospital last Friday night of pneumonia, after a brief illness. Mr. & Mrs. Livingston were both taken ill about two weeks ago with influenza, which in the case of Mr. Livingston, rapidly developed into pneumonia, with the sad results above stated. From the very first, it was said, he had small chance for recovery, and no headway could be made against the disease.

"The deceased was forty-three and one month old. He had resided in Eddy County continuously since he was a lad of sixteen and enjoyed a wide acquaintance in Carlsbad and the county, and many expressions of sorrow were heard at his passing.

"Mr. Livingston leaves a mourner, his mother, Mrs. James Livingston, of Los Angeles; a brother C.C. of Hamilton, Texas; and his wife Mrs. Annie Weeks Livingston, to who he was married last 31st of December. The blow falls heavily on all, but especially so on the young wife, who has been called upon to pass through deep bereavement in the last few months; a nephew and a sister have died recently.

"Funeral Services were held yesterday morning at the residence, conducted by Rev. George H. Givan, assisted by Rev. J.W. Lowry and Rev. D.F. Sellards. After reading the ninety-first Psalm, and prayer had been offered, Reverend Givan spoke briefly. There are certain characteristics which distinguish individuals one from the other, different characteristics being prominent in different persons. Mr. Livingston was always cheerful and generous to a fault, and no one ever appealed to him for assistance in vain. His hand went to his pocket-book at every appeal for aid. He gave, not for show, but because his heart was ever tender toward the needy and unfortunate and he loved to relieve their distress. He was ever thoughtful, kind and helpful to those about him, and will be greatly missed.

"Hymns were sung -- ' Oh, Love that will not let me go' and 'Rock of Ages' and the body was tenderly borne to the City of the Dead, where further services were conducted by the local lodge of Odd Fellows, he being a member of that body and also a woodman. The pall bearers were John Lusk, W.C. Cotten, W. Benson, Lass James, Holley Benson and T.C. Horne.

"Covered by a wealth of beautiful flowers, tributes of friends and maternal orders, he sleeps in the little city under the hill, but it will be long ere his many good deeds will be forgotten in Carlsbad. The Current extends condolences to the bereaved."

from the Carlsbad, New Mexico Current:

"News of the death of Raymond Livingston, son of the late James Livingston and Mrs. Gussie Livingston, surviving, came as a sorrowful shock to the many friends and acquaintances in Hamilton of this noble man, who was born in the old family home in the Rock Church community and spent his early days in that neighborhood. Besides the surviving loved ones mentioned above, who attended the funeral, there are four brothers, Uel Livingston of Gatesville, Burney and Burton of Hamilton County and Burton of Northern New Mexico; two sisters, Mrs. Ida McClain and Mrs. Viola Casner of Los Angeles, California. To all these we extend deepest sympathy."

More About JOHN RAYMOND LIVINGSTON:

Burial: March 03, 1920, City of The Dead Cemetery, Carlsbad, New Mexico

More About JOHN LIVINGSTON and ANNIE WEEKS:

Marriage: December 31, 1919, probably New Mexico

- iii. GARLAND LIVINGSTON¹¹⁶, b. 1878, Hamilton County, Texas; d. 1945, probably Hachita, New Mexico; m. MAY; d. Unknown.
- iv. ITASKA JANE LIVINGSTON¹¹⁶, b. January 11, 1881, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁷; d. March 31, 1978, Los Angeles County, California¹¹⁸; m. (1) R. B. SMITH¹¹⁸, November 27, 1898, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁸; d. Unknown; m. (2) MISTER MCCLAIN, Bet. 1912 - 1921; d. Unknown; m. (3) CHARLES O. PADDOCK, Abt. 1921; d. Unknown.

More About R. SMITH and ITASKA LIVINGSTON:

Marriage: November 27, 1898, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁸

More About MISTER MCCLAIN and ITASKA LIVINGSTON:

Marriage: Bet. 1912 - 1921

More About CHARLES PADDOCK and ITASKA LIVINGSTON:

Marriage: Abt. 1921

- v. BURNEY LIVINGSTON, b. December 30, 1882, Hamilton County, Texas¹¹⁹; d. August 26, 1946, Hamilton County, Texas.
- vi. HIRAM M. LIVINGSTON, b. October 20, 1886¹¹⁹; d. Unknown.
- vii. BURTON LIVINGSTON, b. January 1889¹¹⁹; d. Unknown.
- viii. MARY LILLIE LIVINGSTON, b. February 22, 1891^{119,120}; d. Unknown.
- ix. CAD CLARK LIVINGSTON, b. December 1892¹²¹; d. Unknown.
- x. ELTON LIVINGSTON, b. September 26, 1894; d. Unknown.
- xi. VIOLA MERIT LIVINGSTON, b. November 1895^{121,122}; d. Unknown.
- xii. INFANT LIVINGSTON, b. April 14, 1898; d. Unknown.

14. ALFRED LAFAYETTE "FAYETTE"⁵ CARTER (*HENRY JONES⁴, JOHN WESLEY³, CALEB², LEVI¹*)^{123,124} was born March 02, 1867 in Live Oak, Hamilton County, Texas^{125,126}, and died March 1932 in Lampasas County, Texas. He married AMANDA MAUDE BLANSIT¹²⁷ July 04, 1888 in Hamilton County, Texas¹²⁸, daughter of JOHN BLANSIT and ELEANOR WHITE. She was born February 22, 1870 in Hamilton County, Texas¹²⁹, and died December 28, 1942 in Perryton, Ochiltree County, Texas.

Notes for ALFRED LAFAYETTE "FAYETTE" CARTER:
sent to Kathy Beaudry by Kermit Rutledge:

THE HAMILTON HERALD-RECORD
Hamilton, TX - March 26, 1937

-- A. Lafayette Carter, Pioneer, Travels to New Frontier

Alfred Lafayette Carter was born March 2, 1867 in Live Oak Community on the Cow House in Hamilton County, Texas. He was the son of Joseph [sic] Henry and Mary Caroline Carter. He was married to Miss Maude Blansit on July 4, 1889. There were twelve children born of this union, seven boys and five girls. Mamie, Stella, Marion, Blansit, Munroe, Hamilton, Jewell, Mildred, A.L., Jr., Mack, and twin sons Ed and Fred. Mamie died at the age of 12, Hamilton died at 18, and Ed died an infant, age 4 months. All of the children live in or near Perryton, Texas, except Munroe, who lives at Long Beach, California, and Fred, who lives at Alice, Texas. There are 15 grandchildren.

He was converted and joined the Methodist Church at the age of thirty under the preaching of Abe Mulkey. He has been a faithful Christian ever since. He has been a member of Rock House Masonic Lodge for more than 45 years.

During the early childhood of "Fayette" Carter his father began pre-empting and purchasing from the state, more than a league of land in the Blue Ridge country, but as there was no school or settlement and the Indians were still making raids in this country they moved on to Hamilton and only the father and older boys lived in the log hut at Blue Ridge and with their oxen sodded in the largest farm in Hamilton County. They built a double log house (one room of which is still standing) and as soon as conditions were deemed safe all of the family moved out on the farm, organized and built the Blue Ridge School near the site where the beautiful Blue Ridge High School now stands. "Fayette" Carter grew to manhood helping his father improve the home site. Shortly after his marriage, being an instinctive pioneer, he took his young wife and infant into the undeveloped new country now called Foard county, took up a section of land, dug a one-room dugout, covering it with Mesquite brush and earth, and began the hard task of putting in a farm. He lived in his dug-out home for three years and then at the request of his father returned to the old home in Hamilton county where he lived until 1912 when he again answered the call of the pioneering spirit, moving to

Ochiltree county where he began, on an extensive scale, the breeding and raising of white-faced cattle. With the development of power machinery he again pioneered in the vast production of wheat.

"Fayette" Carter had little opportunity of gaining an education in the schools, but he went a long way in remedying this handicap by giving himself an extensive self-education. He had a high appreciation of friendship, to him, friendship was a beautiful flower that bloomed brightest during dark days and days of adversity. He was a devoted husband and a beloved father, always willing to carry a burden but never willingly burdening others. Much pain he bore in stoic solitude rather than to cause fear or uneasiness to his friends and loved ones. He always lived in the open and he appreciated it. He loved the beautiful things of nature and on March 19, while walking in God's own garden he lay down in sleep to awaken in that new frontier where there are no pioneering hardships.

Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Carter were visiting their nephew, David H. Carter and family on their baronial estate in the Evant section, just across the line in Lampasas county, when death came to him suddenly from a heart attack. Mr. and Mrs. David H. Carter and son, Prof. James D. Carter, principal of the Evant school, accompanied Mrs. Maude Carter and children to Perryton, Texas, where the body of A. L. Carter has been laid to rest.

When news spread in Hamilton and the county that Fayette Carter had passed away at the home of David H. Carter, many friends made haste to go there to pay tributes to his memory in beautiful floral offerings and in expressions of sympathy for the sorrowing loved ones.

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from another source: "Wheatheart of the Plains - An Early History of Ochiltree County, TX".
Published 1969 by the Ochiltree County Historical Survey Committee.
Article submitted by Mrs. S. L. (Marion) Brillhart.

A. L. and Maud Blansit Carter left Hamilton, Texas, in July, 1912, with nine children and A. L.'s mother, who was eighty-two years old. They had visited the Panhandle previously and had decided that the grassy plains of Ochiltree County offered the best opportunity for a farmer-rancher with a large family. They believed that this country held great promise for future prosperity. A. L. had paid \$15 to \$25 for the land he was to settle here.

They came by train from Hamilton to Glazier, and from Glazier to Ochiltree by mail and passenger car, driven by Lawrence Thomas. They arrived in the tiny, but bustling settlement on July 22, 1912. The trip had been a great adventure for the children, who ranged in age from nineteen to three years. Marion was the oldest child to come to this new land. Her older sister, Stella, was married and lived in Hamilton. Another older sister, and a younger brother had died years before.

Spring and summer of 1912 had brought lots of rain and the grassy prairies unbroken by fences, were green and lush. The lakes were full of water, and wild flowers grew in colorful abundance in the canyons south of Ochiltree. The family looked forward to their new life with optimism and hope, as they cast aside nostalgic memories of home, friends and family back in Central Texas.

The first day in Ochiltree was eventful for the teenagers, Blansit, Monroe, Hamilton and Marion. They were introduced to some of the young ladies of the community who were having an Embroidery Club meeting at the North Hotel when they arrived. Some of the girls there that hot afternoon were Ruby and Pearl North, Willie Sanders, Carrys and Vern Dodson, Katie Mead Whippo and Ruth and Nona McMillen. The young people were delighted when new arrivals came, and graciously welcomed them into the social life of the community.

A. L. and his sons began immediately to clear the land, break the sod and build the house with the help of Jim Sites and Clyde Cofer. Mark Emmett dug the well and cellar. The family resided at the North Hotel while the house was being built. Materials and supplies were brought by freight wagon from Liberal, Texhoma, and Guymon to supplement those that couldn't be bought in Ochiltree. A. L. had brought his horses, farm machinery, household and personal possessions from Central Texas in rented boxcars.

The first crops were planted that fall, but were doomed to failure by the dry winter and spring ahead. Those first few years weren't all bad, however, and the Carter family stayed and became part of the growing community.

The small town had a few hundred population and several businesses. They included stores that sold furniture, hardware, drugs, lumber, groceries and other necessities. Mr. Russell and Bill McLarty had the two mercantile stores and Mr. Dodson owned the variety store. There were two churches--Methodist and Baptist--the courthouse and the school.

Life on the High Plains was vigorous and many social and sporting activities were enjoyed by young and old. One of the most memorable events in their first years at Ochiltree was the night in May, 1915, when a wagon-load of young people started to Missouri Avenue School, approximately fifteen miles northwest, to attend an end-of-school social. Unexpected rains came and the wagon bogged down frequently, and the group arrived too late for the social. The tired, mud-splattered teenagers finally got back about daybreak to greet some worried parents, but much fun was enjoyed by the youngsters.

Plum and grape gatherings and fishing trips on Wolf Creek and in Lipscomb County provided food and fun for families, and many wagon-loads of folks could be seen moving across the prairies on these jaunts. There were few fences to break the wagon trails that criss-crossed the plains, but everyone respected the landowner's rights and acts of vandalism and theft were practically unheard of.

Of course, the most important social event in Marion's life was on July 18, 1917, when she married Saint Luke Brillhart. Theirs was the first church ceremony held in the Methodist Church in Ochiltree County, and everyone for miles around attended. She had made her dress and those of her attendants by hand from material bought at Summer's Dry Goods Store in Liberal. Her attendants were her sister, Jewell, and a friend, Maud Loveless. Saint's attendants were Hamilton Carter, brother of Marion, and a friend, Charles Garrett. Ice cream for the reception had been ordered from Liberal, but the mail car failed to arrive with it, and last minute refreshments had to be prepared. Another crisis developed on their wedding day when Marion's veil blew out the window into the mud. Quick cleaning was done to the garment, and the ceremony went on as planned amid bouquets of flowers that had been brought from Liberal.

Mrs. Jim Wilson was organist and Mrs. Carl Ellis was soloist."
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According to his grandson Norman Allen, Fayette was born under a mesquite bush. His mother was hiding outside because of the threat of Indian raids. He was fishing under a mesquite bush when he died.

More About ALFRED LAFAYETTE "FAYETTE" CARTER:
Burial: March 1932, Perryton, Ochiltree County, Texas

Notes for AMANDA MAUDE BLANSIT:

In the Census Record for 1910, Maud is listed as having had 12 children, with 10 of them still living. Mamie Martin, her first child, and Ed, her last child, had died.

In the 1920 census, Maude was living with the family of her niece, Isabelle Carter Moncus, in Tempe, Maricopa County, Arizona, a town that borders Phoenix. Also living in the household are: Walter Moncus, head; Jewel Carter, daughter of Maude; and the following children of Isabelle and Walter: Herman, Ima, Claude, Maude, Ray and May.

In that same census, Maude lists herself as married, although her husband is not living in the household. Her sister Elisabeth and Elisabeth's husband John Quincy Carter, their daughter Grace Carter Downey and granddaughter Evelyn Downey, are living in Arizona also, one town away in Mesa.

More About ALFRED CARTER and AMANDA BLANSIT:
Marriage: July 04, 1888, Hamilton County, Texas¹³⁰

Children of ALFRED CARTER and AMANDA BLANSIT are:

- i. MAMIE MARTIN⁶ CARTER¹³¹, b. June 1889, Hamilton County, Texas; d. June 16, 1901, Hamilton County, Texas.
- ii. EDITH ESTELLA "STELLA" CARTER^{132,132}, b. April 17, 1891, Hamilton County, Texas^{133,133}; d. May 18, 1969, Rogers, Benton County, Arkansas; m. EUGENE PERRY "PET" STRIBLING¹³³, 1910, Hamilton County, Texas; d. Unknown.

More About EDITH ESTELLA "STELLA" CARTER:
Burial: Unknown, Perryton, Ochiltree County, Texas

More About EUGENE STRIBLING and EDITH CARTER:
Marriage: 1910, Hamilton County, Texas

- iii. FRANCIS MARION CARTER¹³⁴, b. December 17, 1892, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas¹³⁵; d. January 10, 1971, Ochiltree County, Texas¹³⁵; m. SAINT LUKE BRILLHART¹³⁵, July 18, 1917, Ochiltree County, Texas¹³⁶; b. May 08, 1888¹³⁶; d. January 10, 1963¹³⁶.

More About SAINT BRILLHART and FRANCIS CARTER:
Marriage: July 18, 1917, Ochiltree County, Texas¹³⁶

- iv. DAVID BLANSIT CARTER¹³⁶, b. December 12, 1894, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas¹³⁶; d. May 08, 1941, Ochiltree County, Texas¹³⁷; m. NETTIE E. CAMPBELL¹³⁸, November 11, 1911, Texas¹³⁸; d. Unknown.

More About DAVID CARTER and NETTIE CAMPBELL:
Marriage: November 11, 1911, Texas¹³⁸

- v. ALFRED MONROE CARTER^{139,140}, b. April 10, 1897, Hamilton County, Texas^{141,142}; d. March 27, 1977, Ochiltree County, Texas^{143,144}; m. (1) NETTIE E. CAMPBELL, Private; b. Private; m. (2) ELEN CAROLINE HAYES¹⁴⁴, October 27, 1932, Texas¹⁴⁴; d. 1968.

More About ALFRED CARTER and NETTIE CAMPBELL:
Private-Begin: Private

More About ALFRED CARTER and ELEN HAYES:
Marriage: October 27, 1932, Texas¹⁴⁴

- vi. HAMILTON FISH CARTER¹⁴⁴, b. January 24, 1899, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas¹⁴⁴; d. May 17, 1918, Ochiltree County, Texas¹⁴⁵.
- vii. JEWELL MAUDE CARTER¹⁴⁶, b. January 06, 1901, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas; d. August 1957, Perryton, Ochiltree, Texas¹⁴⁷; m. DEWEY RICE ALLEN¹⁴⁷, May 27, 1923, Texas¹⁴⁷; b. April 17, 1899, Hamilton County, Texas; d. December 05, 1976, Texas.

Notes for DEWEY RICE ALLEN:

According to a book on early Ochiltree History named "Wheatheart of the Plains," Dewey Allen, along with his parents and siblings, came to Ochiltree, Texas in 1905. Perryton was not yet a town.

More About DEWEY ALLEN and JEWELL CARTER:

Marriage: May 27, 1923, Texas¹⁴⁷

- viii. MILDRED LAYFETTE CARTER¹⁴⁷, b. May 28, 1903, Hamilton County, Texas¹⁴⁷; d. April 28, 1978; m. HOWARD HOLT, July 15, 1922; d. Unknown.

More About HOWARD HOLT and MILDRED CARTER:

Marriage: July 15, 1922

- ix. "ADDIE LON" CARTER¹⁴⁷, b. February 12, 1905, Hamilton County, Texas¹⁴⁷; d. Unknown; m. NEOMA RAE SANDERS, Private; b. Private.

Notes for "ADDIE LON" CARTER:

Some records show this child as being named Alfred Lafayette Carter, Jr., but Norman Allen, a grandson of Maude and Fayette, says he was always known as "Addie Lon."

More About "ADDIE CARTER and NEOMA SANDERS:

Private-Begin: Private

- x. JAMES MCKENNY "MACK" CARTER¹⁴⁷, b. September 21, 1907, Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas^{147,148}; d. December 18, 1995¹⁴⁸; m. MARY ALICE MURIEL TIPTON¹⁴⁸, October 22, 1932¹⁴⁸; b. October 20, 1911¹⁴⁸; d. April 13, 1968¹⁴⁸.

More About JAMES CARTER and MARY TIPTON:

Marriage: October 22, 1932¹⁴⁸

- xi. FREDRICK SHERMAN "FRED" CARTER¹⁴⁹, b. July 06, 1909, Hamilton County, Texas; d. Unknown, San Angelo, Texas; m. MARY ELIZABETH CLARK, Private; b. Private.

Notes for FREDRICK SHERMAN "FRED" CARTER:

Fred and Ed were twins.

More About FREDRICK CARTER and MARY CLARK:

Private-Begin: Private

- xii. EDWARD HENRY WILLIAM CARTER¹⁵⁰, b. July 06, 1909, Hamilton County, Texas; d. November 10, 1909, Hamilton County, Texas.

Notes for EDWARD HENRY WILLIAM CARTER:

Ed and Fred were twins.

15. ELECTRA ANN "ANNIE"⁵ CARTER (*JAMES ATCHLEY*⁴, *JOHN WESLEY*³, *CALEB*², *LEVI*¹)¹⁵¹ was born April 25, 1855 in Hamilton County, Texas¹⁵², and died Unknown. She married WILLIAM MOSES BALLARD¹⁵² Bef. 1891 in Hamilton County, Texas. He died Unknown.

More About WILLIAM BALLARD and ELECTRA CARTER:

Marriage: Bef. 1891, Hamilton County, Texas

Child of ELECTRA CARTER and WILLIAM BALLARD is:

- i. OLA ETHEL⁶ BALLARD, b. January 03, 1891; d. Unknown.

16. CHARILDA CALEDONIA⁵ CARTER (*JAMES ATCHLEY*⁴, *JOHN WESLEY*³, *CALEB*², *LEVI*¹)¹⁵³ was born November

10, 1861 in Hamilton County, Texas, and died Abt. 1948 in Hamilton, Hamilton County, Texas. She married JAMES N. BILLINGSLEY December 04, 1879. He died April 27, 1928 in Hamilton County, Texas.

Notes for CHARILDA CALEDONIA CARTER:

from the obituary posted on Elreeta Weather's web site, submitted by Stewart Billingsley:

"MRS. BILLINGSLEY PASSES AWAY HERE

"Funeral services were held at the graveside at Live Oak Cemetery Monday at 3 p.m. for Mrs. J. N. Billingsley, 87, with Minister Joe Scarborough of the Reagan Street Church of Christ conducting the rites and the Williams & Riley Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements. Pallbearers were J.V. Neel, Floyd and Lloyd Williams, Ben Neal, Vertis Ballard and James Billingsley. Flower bearers were her granddaughters.

"Mrs. Billingsley passed away at her home in Hamilton Sunday. She was born Caledonia Carter, November 10, 1861 and was the daughter of James A. and Mary Carter of the Ohio Community, Hamilton County. She was married to James N. Billingsley on Dec. 4, 1879. Eleven children were born to them. Four of the children, Mrs. Make Neal, Bessie and Irma Billingsley and Mrs. Nellie Jones, with their father, preceded Mrs. Billingsley in death.

"Surviving are the following children: Ben Billingsley of Comstock, TX; W.S. Billingsley of Hamilton; H.J. Billingsley of the Ohio Community; Mrs. John Massie of Vernon; Mrs. R.B. Williams of Jonesboro; Mrs. L.A. Brinkley of Hamilton and Mrs. Lillie Kelley of Ft. Worth."

More About JAMES BILLINGSLEY and CHARILDA CARTER:
Marriage: December 04, 1879

Children of CHARILDA CARTER and JAMES BILLINGSLEY are:

- i. BEN⁶ BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- ii. W. S. BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- iii. H. J. BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- iv. BESSIE BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- v. IRMA BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- vi. NELLIE BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- vii. DAUGHTER (MRS. MAKE NEAL) BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- viii. MRS. JOHN MASSIE BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- ix. MRS. R.B. WILLIAMS BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- x. MRS. L.A. BRINKLEY BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.
- xi. LILLIE BILLINGSLEY, d. Unknown.

17. JESSEE OLIVER⁵ CARTER (*JOHN WESLEY⁴, JOHN WESLEY³, CALEB², LEVI¹*) was born July 09, 1867 in McNairy, Tennessee, and died June 10, 1956 in Alamagordo, Otero County, New Mexico.

Child of JESSEE OLIVER CARTER is:

- i. JAMES ALBERT⁶ CARTER, b. 1897, Texas; d. Unknown.

18. MARY ELIZABETH⁵ CARTER (*JOHN WESLEY⁴, JOHN WESLEY³, CALEB², LEVI¹*) was born September 11, 1872 in McNairy, Tennessee, and died August 11, 1928 in Texas. She married ROBERT L. CHAPMAN Bef. 1898 in Hamilton County, Texas. He died Unknown.

More About ROBERT CHAPMAN and MARY CARTER:
Marriage: Bef. 1898, Hamilton County, Texas

Children of MARY CARTER and ROBERT CHAPMAN are:

- i. WILLIAM H.⁶ CHAPMAN, b. February 13, 1898, Evant, Texas; d. September 1953, Massachusettes; m. MARY WINIFRED DOUCET, Private; b. Private.

More About WILLIAM CHAPMAN and MARY DOUCET:
Private-Begin: Private

- ii. ANNA BELL CHAPMAN, d. Unknown.

19. MINERVA IDELLA⁵ CARTER (*JASPER NEWTON*⁴, *PETER T.*³, *JESSE*², *LEVI*¹) was born August 24, 1881 in McFall, Gentry County, Missouri, and died September 07, 1949 in Bethany, Harrison County, Missouri. She married HATTEN ELI PRICE April 28, 1901 in Missouri. He was born January 27, 1874 in Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri, and died January 24, 1933 in Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri.

More About MINERVA IDELLA CARTER:

Burial: Unknown, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri

Notes for HATTEN ELI PRICE:

All info on Hatten Price and his children comes from the research of Susan Price.

More About HATTEN ELI PRICE:

Burial: Unknown, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Missouri

More About HATTEN PRICE and MINERVA CARTER:

Marriage: April 28, 1901, Missouri

Children of MINERVA CARTER and HATTEN PRICE are:

- i. OPAL ESTIE⁶ PRICE, b. August 05, 1902; d. Unknown.
- ii. MYRTLE JEWELL PRICE, b. December 02, 1903; d. Unknown.
- iii. IVAN LEROY PRICE, b. February 25, 1906; d. Unknown.
- iv. PEARL GLADYS PRICE, b. Private.
- v. ELROY ARTHUR PRICE, b. Private.
- vi. AMEL DALLAS PRICE, b. August 02, 1913, Bethany, Harrison County, Missouri; d. October 19, 1989, Gallatin, Daviess County, Missouri; m. VERNICE NADINE SMITH, Private; b. Private.

More About AMEL DALLAS PRICE:

Burial: Unknown, Prairie Valley Cemetery, Gallatin, Daviess County, Missouri

More About AMEL PRICE and VERNICE SMITH:

Private-Begin: Private

- vii. FLOY ELDON PRICE, b. Private.
- viii. HARLEY ORVAL PRICE, b. Private.
- ix. RAYMOND EARL PRICE, b. Private.

Endnotes

1. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
2. *Carol Chapman*, "Electronic."
3. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
4. *Carol Chapman*, "Electronic."
5. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
6. *Carol Chapman.*
7. Research of Carol Chapman Wilson, from Mormon site
8. Research of Susan Price
9. *Carol Chapman.*
10. Research of Carol Chapman Wilson
11. *Carol Chapman.*
12. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
13. Biographical sketch of John Wesley Carter, Sr. & John Wesley Carter, Jr. in Texas historical books.
14. Biographical sketch of Henry Jones Carter from "History of Texas," Central Texas Edition, published in 1896 by The Lewis Publishing Company, Chicago
15. *Carol Chapman.*
16. Biographical sketch of Henry Jones Carter, "History of Texas." In this sketch, Peggy is referred to as "Mrs. John Frazier."
17. *Carol Chapman.*
18. *Susan Price.*
19. *Mormon's web site, www.familysearch.com.*

20. Census Records, Hamilton County, Texas, 1870; Smith County, Texas, 1850
21. *Carol Chapman.*
22. *Doris Scott research.*
23. *Carol Chapman.*
24. Census Records, Hamilton County, Texas, 1870
25. *Charles Barnum research.*
26. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
27. *Family Bible.*
28. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
29. Research of Carolyn Carter Schiewe
30. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
31. Census Records, 1880, 1900 & 1920
32. *Family Bible.*
33. Census Records, 1880, Hamilton County, Texas; 1900 Foard County, Texas & 1920 Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona (near Phoenix)
34. Census Records, 1880
35. *Obituary.*
36. Census Records, 1870, Hamilton County, TX, 1880 Hamilton County, TX, 1900, Foard County, TX, 1910 Foard County, TX; 1920 Maricopa County, Mesa, AZ
37. The Internet. www.cagen.com/cpl/tulare/tcemvisc.htm
38. *Kathy McNeil Beaudry.*
39. Census Records, 1880 Hamilton County, Texas
40. Death Certificate, from Woodlake, Tulare, California
41. *Death Certificate or record.*
42. Draft registration, 1918, in Seminole County, Oklahoma
43. The Internet. California Death Records, at the following site:<http://vitals.rootsweb.com/ca/death/search.cgi>
44. *census record.*
45. Death Certificate of James A. Carter, her husband, lists her as a survivor
46. Census Records, 1880 Hamilton County, Texas
47. Death Certificate or record; volume 6, page 103, Death Records Book, Foard County, Texas
48. Obituary. Ellen was still alive at the time of her father's death in 1934.
49. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, Marriage Book 1, Foard County, TX, p. 77, transcribed by Terry Dishman.
50. Death Certificate or record, Volume 6, page 15 in the Death Records Book for Foard County, Texas, copied by Terry Dishman
51. *Death Certificate or record.*
52. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, Marriage Book 1, Foard County, TX, p. 77, transcribed by Terry Dishman.
53. Census Records, 1880 Hamilton County, Texas
54. Census Record, 1880 Hamilton, TX
55. Terry Dishman research, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, transcribed, Penrose Cemetery Records
56. Census Record for 1920 Fremont County, CO lists H.H Carter with wife Myrtle
57. Census Record, 1920 Fremont County, Colorado
58. *census record.*
59. Birth Certificate of female child born in 1918 in Mesa, AZ to Claud C. Carter, age 35
60. Obituary, sent to me by Terry Dishman.
61. *census record.*
62. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
63. Census Records, 1900 Foard County, Texas
64. *census record.*
65. estimate only, needs to be verified.
66. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
67. *census record*, 1900, Foard County, Texas.
68. Terry Dishman research, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, obtained from Wichita, Texas death records
69. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, Marriage Book 1, Foard County, Texas, transcribed by Terry Dishman.
70. *census record*, 1910, Foard County, Texas.
71. *Marriage Certificate or Record*, Marriage Book 1, Foard County, Texas, page 133.
72. *census record*, 1910 Foard County, Texas, Jacob is listed as being 49 years old.
73. *Marriage Certificate or Record*, Marriage Book 1, Foard County, Texas, page 133.
74. Census Records, 1900 Foard County, Texas
75. Cemetery Records or Cemetery Headstone; her headstone gives her name as Leona Amanda
76. Census Record, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
77. Social Security Record, copy of SSA, received 5/17/2004 by Kathy Beaudry
78. *Social Security Death Index*, "Electronic."
79. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor.

80. Census Record, estimated from 1910 & 1920 TX Census Records
81. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor.
82. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
83. census record, 1900 Foard County, TX, living with parents
84. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, in the Texas death records for 1903-1940
85. estimate only, needs to be verified.
86. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
87. Census Records, 1900 Foard County, Texas
88. census record, 1900 Foard County, TX
89. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
90. Census Records, 1900 Foard County, Texas
91. census record, 1900 Foard County, TX
92. Census Records, 1920, Mesa AZ
93. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
94. Census Records, 1920, Mesa AZ
95. Census Records, 1900 Foard County, Texas
96. Death Certificate, issued July, 1929, Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona
97. Census Records. 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
98. Research of Kathy McNeil Beaudry, as told by her mother, Evelyn Downey McNeil
99. Social Security Record of Evelyn Downey McNeil, 1939
100. Census Records, as reported on 1920 census by Grace Carter Downey
101. Census Records, 1910 Foard County, TX
102. estimate, based on age in census record.
103. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, transcribed by Terry Dishman, Birth and Death Book 1, Foard County, Texas, Clerk # 27.
104. Terry Dishman, a Whitley researcher and ancestor, Birth & Death Book 1, Foard County, Texas, transcribed by Terry Dishman.
105. Census Records, 1870 Hamilton County, Texas (Mary Augusta is listed as "Martha.")
106. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
107. *photo of James Livingston & Gussie Carter Livingston posted on Internet.*
108. *Charlene Rose.*
109. Research of Carolyn Carter Schiewe
110. *Charlene Rose.*
111. Research of Carolyn Carter Schiewe
112. from the Research of Charlene Rose
113. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
114. *photo of James Livingston & Gussie Carter Livingston posted on Internet.*
115. Research of Charlene Rose
116. *Charlene Rose.*
117. *photo of James Livingston & Gussie Carter Livingston posted on Internet.*
118. Research of Charlene Rose
119. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
120. *photo of James Livingston & Gussie Carter Livingston posted on Internet.*
121. Census Records, 1900 Hamilton County, Texas
122. *photo of James Livingston & Gussie Carter Livingston posted on Internet.*
123. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
124. *Family Bible.*
125. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
126. census record, 1900 Hamilton County, TX
127. Census Records, Hamilton County, Texas, 1900
128. Norman Allen Research.
129. Census Records, Hamilton County, Texas, 1870
130. Norman Allen Research.
131. Census Records, Hamilton County, Texas, 1900
132. Research of Mary Ruth Stribling, daughter of Stella Carter
133. Research of Elreeta Weathers
134. Census Records, Hamilton County, Texas, 1900
135. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
136. Norman Allen Research.
137. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
138. Norman Allen Research.
139. Census Records, Hamilton County, Texas, 1900
140. Norman Allen Research.
141. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*
142. Norman Allen Research.
143. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe.*

144. Norman Allen Research.
145. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe*.
146. Census Records, Tempe, Maricopa County, Arizona, 1920
147. *Carolyn Carter Schiewe*.
148. Norman Allen Research.
149. Research of Elreeta Weathers
150. Research of Elreeta Weathers
151. *Charles Barnum research*.
152. *Elreeta Weathers research, as posted on her web site*.
153. *Obituary*.